

Memorial Day services scheduled

The Grayling American Legion Post #106 and Carl W. Borchers Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3736 will be holding special Memorial Day services on Monday, May 29.

At 10 a.m. the American Legion will hold a special service at Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling. All local veterans organizations will take part in this ceremony.

Following the Grayling ceremony, the VFW will hold memorial ceremonies at Frederic and Maple Forest township cemeteries.

CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

Thursday, May 25, 1995

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Township official will submit new waste amendment

By Terry Wright
News Editor

After the defeat of an amendment to the Crawford County Solid Waste Plan that would have allowed wastes from an increased number of counties to be brought to the City Environmental Services, Inc. (CESW), landfill in Maple Forest Township, another amendment is in the process of being developed.

The prior amendment was submitted by CESW. The new amendment is being written by Lovells Township Supervisor Fred Schaibly, with the assistance of Diane Rekowski of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG), located in Gaylord. Schaibly said, when the wording is complete, the amendment will be submitted by NEMCOG, to the Crawford County Solid Waste Planning Committee.

"I've had a good response to the plan from many citizens," Schaibly said. "I will submit it after I think it has a chance of passing."

The CESW amendment was rejected by a 3-3 tie vote of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners. All three

commissioners voting against the amendment stated their wishes; 1) to have a law enforcement mechanism in place to monitor the waste coming into the landfill, and; 2) to pay for that law enforcement through a per-gate-yard impact fee paid by CESW to the county. Neither were included in the CESW amendment, but are included in Schaibly's.

The Schaibly amendment provides for the same number of counties, but has slightly different reporting procedures, an impact fee of \$1.50 per cubic yard on waste originating outside of Crawford County, and the establishment of a local Monitoring and Law Enforcement Committee which would be responsible for developing recycling, household hazardous waste, composting and law enforcement programs.

Schaibly said a copy of the draft had been given to officials at CESW. He said he didn't know if his amendment would meet with CESW approval, or if it would delay their demand, made after the defeat of the prior amendment, to give the landfill back to Crawford County and recoup the \$3.8 million purchase price.

Now playing--M-72 West road construction, part II

Leave a little early if you have to travel West M-72 in the next few days. The construction crew is back and tearing up new pavement it just put down less than a year ago.

Officials at Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) said the contractor is replacing the blacktop because it did not meet MDOT's specifications. The quality wasn't good enough, said an MDOT source. The

contractor is tearing up the blacktop and replacing it out of his pocket, not the taxpayer's. While there, the contractor will also finish up some things that weren't done last time including the bike path.

Construction should be completed in a few days, at least that's the plan. In the meantime, drivers may experience de javu as traffic filters down to one lane at times.

Increased police presence planned downtown June 8

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

School's out, do you know what your kids are doing? Several downtown business owners wish more parents did know where and what their kids were doing.

Laura Schanz, owner of Main Street Florals, expressed her concerns about an increasing problem of middle school students loitering in the downtown area at the Grayling City Council meeting Monday, May 22.

Schanz was one of several downtown business owners who were at the meeting who are concerned about the downswing in the number of people coming downtown because of the large amount of kids loitering in the area.

"None of us are looking forward to the last day of school," Schanz told the council. Several businesses are talking about closing their doors that afternoon, she said.

The problem is middle school students who intimidate customers and business owners, throw rocks at passing cars and damage business fronts. The problem has increased in the past few months.

City manager Jerry Morford, Police Chief Pete Stephan and David Sabin, city attorney met to discuss deterrents on June 8. As a result of that meeting, there will be increased police attention to the area and all ordinances will be strictly enforced. Bicycles and skateboards will be confiscated if on sidewalks. Laws dealing with underage smoking, intimidating behavior, etc. won't be tolerated.

Business owners are making plans of their own. Some will be armed with a camera or videocamera to tape the students doing the damage. Several businesses in past years have quit selling shaving cream several days before the last day of school. Other owners are determined to prosecute for any damage done to their building. Dick Wieber, owner of R. Wieber Jewelers, has another idea.

Wieber asked if it was permissible to hose down his sidewalk to keep it clean even if kids happened to be on it. Council members said when he chose to clean his sidewalk was up to him. "I hope it will be a cold day," said Wieber.

Summer sun brings summer fun



SUMMER IS OFFICIALLY HERE--With the onset of summer, thousands of tourists will be flocking to Crawford County to enjoy the great out-of-doors and the wonderful events that celebrate who, what and where we are.

The Crawford County Historical Museum and the Grayling Fish Hatchery will both open for summer on this Memorial Day weekend.

The Hartwick Pines State Park, although open year around, has scheduled its first festival, "Saw Dust Days," over the June 24-25 weekend.

(Above) A team of horses hauls logs out of the woods to the working steam-powered sawmill during the 1994 Saw Dust Days festival.

Committee studies county recreation center

A committee has been established by the Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) to study the possibility of building a county recreation center at the fish hatchery site on North Down River Road and Michigan Ave. Committee members are Don Schanz, chair; Mary Ann Bloomquist, vice chair; Pauline Petrosky, secretary; Dennis Long, John Alef, John Jones, Traci Compton, Joe Wakeley, Dan

Wyers, Rep. Allen Lowe, Jim Nygard, and Brian Hulbert.

The steering committee has established the following mission statement and set of objectives.

Mission Statement

To establish a community recreation facility that will provide recreational and social enhancement opportunities for Crawford County citizens of all ages.

Objectives

- To identify county needs and wants through a survey.
- To develop a preliminary design.
- To identify and secure funding sources for construction.
- To determine the method of providing annual operating funds.
- To review the project proposal with county residents for additional input.
- To proceed with bids and

construction.

The committee has set the following meeting schedule: Friday, June 9; Friday, July 14; Friday, Aug. 11; Friday, Sept. 8; Friday, Oct. 13; Friday, Nov. 10; and Friday, Dec. 8.

All meetings will be held at Hanson Hills beginning at 5 p.m.

"We are very excited about this project. There seems to be a lot of

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Fish Hatchery adds new lures for '95 season

The Grayling Fish Hatchery will open for the 1995 tourist season on Saturday, May 27, with at least one new attraction.

In addition to being able to view and feed 40,000 to 60,000 whopper sized trout, this year kids of all ages will be able to actually catch trout in the new hatchery trout pond.

The trout pond will be a cooperative effort between the Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) and Flowing Well Trout Pond of Kalkaska. For years Flowing Well has leased its fish to the Grayling Fish Hatchery for the summer tourist season.

This year Flowing Well will give fish for the hatchery and the trout pond, but will receive a percentage of the sales of the fish that are caught.

According to GRA Director Dan Wyers, the trout pond will be stocked with 12-to-18-inch rainbow trout, which when caught will be sold, at a reasonable price, by the inch.

"It gives an opportunity for people to catch a fish," Wyers said. "The proceeds will go into the operation of the fish hatchery to make it self-sustaining."

"The fish hatchery is a real benefit to the local economy," Wyers said. "It keeps people coming back to town. Our goal is to keep the fish hatchery maintained as well as it has been in the past and to make some additions and improvements to keep up with the growing number of tourists."

Wyers said Flowing Well is guaranteeing to pay the fish hatchery 15-percent of gross fish sales, with an annual minimum of \$5,000, and a

maximum of \$15,000.

"To get us started, they're even willing to put up the minimum amount before the season," Wyers said. "That will allow us to put in a well and a septic system. There will be no outlay from the GRA or the county."

In addition to the trout pond, Wyers said the GRA is working very hard to develop a display of live, Grayling

trout and a new fish-ladder through the hatchery on the East Branch of the AuSable is also in the works, Wyers said.

"We're working very closely with the DNR on all of our projects," Wyers said.

The Grayling Fish Hatchery will remain open 7-days-per week from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. through Labor Day.

The cost of admission will be \$1 for adults and 50-cents for children over the age of five, with a family maximum of \$5. A bag of fish food will be given to all who enter.

Wyers said the GRA will be running periodic coupon offers in the Avalanche this summer that will allow local residents to take advantage of free or reduced-rate entry



NEW FISH HATCHERY TROUT POND--Grayling Recreation Authority Director Dan Wyers stands beside the fish hatchery raceway that will be converted into a trout pond. Fishermen and fisherwomen will be able to catch whopper trout to support their fish stories. The Grayling Fish Hatchery will open its doors for the summer tourist season on Saturday, May 27 at 10 a.m.

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Korea—the forgotten war to be remembered

On July 27, the 42nd anniversary of the signing of the Cease Fire Agreement in Panmunjom, the Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA) will be instrumental in the Washington, D.C. dedication of a memorial to those who served in the Korean War.

KWVA President Nicholas J. Pappas stated that this memorial "will be a lasting tribute to all who served in Korea to look upon proudly, and will keep alive the memory of the sacrifices of the men and women who served in the first armed attempt to stop

communist aggression." The impressive memorial will be located on the Mall of the Nation's Capital and will consist of: A column of 19 troops representing all those who fought the war on foot; a wall depicting an array of combat and support troops in operational mode; and a commemorative area and honor roll for the KIA/MIA/POWs.

KWVA, a not-for-profit association serving the interests of over 11,000 Korean veterans, is anxious for all who served in this war and/or their families and friends to be a part of these memorable ceremonies. For further information, write KWVA, P.O. Box 10806-P, Arlington, VA 22210.

Avalanche announces early deadlines for Memorial Day

The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Monday, May 29, for Memorial Day, and reopen at 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 30.

The deadline for full page, half page, or color display ads, for the June 1st issue, must be turned in by noon on Thursday, May 25.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is 5 p.m., Thursday, May 25. Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by noon on Friday, May 26, to be considered for the next issue.

Community news items and classified display ads also must be turned in by noon, Friday, May 26. Classified ads by the word must be turned in and paid in advance by noon on Tuesday, May 30.

Over a period of days before and after the dedication, there will be banquets, parades, memorial services and embassy visits, held by veterans associations, various unit groups, embassies, and others. The dedication promises to be a unique experience for the country and the Korean War veterans and their families and friends.

2 suspects arraigned for GMS B&E

Nothing was taken during a break-in and entering of the Grayling Middle School early Wednesday morning, May 17.

The Grayling City Police and the Crawford County Sheriff Department responded to the scene. Two suspects were apprehended fleeing from the scene of the B&E, according to a sheriff department spokesperson.

Middle School Principal Mike Branch was called to the scene where he advised officers nothing had been stolen. Damage to the middle school was limited to the entry window and papers scattered throughout the school.

Ronald Joseph Doe Jr., 23, of Grayling and Brandon Paul Cleaves, 23, of Cummings were arraigned on Tuesday, May 23 for breaking and entering the Grayling Middle School.

Health Dept. sets clinics

District Health Department No. 1 has scheduled the following clinics at the Grayling office. Appointments are recommended or required for all clinics. Call 348-7800 for information on these clinics and their Environmental Health Services.

Call for an appointment:
Immunization Clinic: June 7, 12, 14, 15, and 16.
Family Planning (New Clients Day): June 8 and 22.
Premarital Class and Optional: Confidential HIV/AIDS testing: June 20.

WIC, Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: June 1, 12, 15, 19, 21, 22, and 28.

WIC Program, Frederic Clinic held at the public library: June 9, call 348-7800 for appointment.

Maternal Support Service for Pregnant Women: Call for information any day.

Correction

In last week's issue of the Avalanche, it was written that GHS honor student Jeffrey Alan Taylor Jr. is the son of Jeffrey and Candice Taylor. He is also the son of Marilyn Taylor. The Avalanche regrets any inconvenience this oversight may have caused.

Invitations. Envelopes. Announcements. Thank-you Notes available at the AVALANCHE

Recreation center studied

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interest for a recreation center, a place for people of all ages to meet and recreate. It is our intention to try to raise the necessary funding for construction through private, state and federal grants," said Committee Chair Don Schanz.

"During the next four to six weeks, we will be surveying county residents to develop a list of options they would like to have in the center. We would like people to take a minute to complete the survey and send it to Grayling Recreation Authority, P.O. Box 361, Grayling, MI 49738," he concluded.

County Recreation Center Steering Committee Resident Survey

1. I am in favor of establishing a recreation center for residents of Crawford County. Circle one: Yes No
If you answered no, please explain: _____

2. I am in the following age group. Circle one.
10-18 years old 19-25 years old 26-35 years old
36-45 years old 46-55 years old 56-65 years old
66-75 years old more than 75

3. Please circle all of the following options that you would like to have in a recreation center:

Indoor swimming pool	Physical rehabilitation center
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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Darling's Collectiques joins antique mall

Darling's Collectiques has joined the Grayling Antique Mall, located at 203 Michigan Avenue in downtown Grayling. Darling's Collectiques is owned by Darrell and Bonnie Darling of Gaylord.

The Grayling Antique Mall features five dealers' antiques and collectibles, primarily from the late 19th century. Darling's Collectiques offers a nice selection of glass, pottery, furniture and other unique items.

Sheriff announces Amman as scholarship award winner

Crawford County Sheriff Dave Lovely recently announced that Michael Amman of Grayling, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship for the pursuit of a degree in Criminal Justice at Michigan State University. The scholarship is sponsored by the Sheriff's professional association, the Michigan Sheriffs' Association (MSA). In its third year, the MSA Educational Services Scholarship Program awarded \$30,000 in scholarships to date.

Nominations for the scholarships are made by MSA members. Bill Klinger nominated Amman for this year's competition. The criteria for the scholarship include: High

scholastic standing; high moral character, and high degree of civic and governmental affairs activity, including tangible contributions in each area. Awards are given to high school seniors accepted at a Michigan college or university who are pursuing a career in criminal justice.

"Michael certainly meets and exceeds those criteria," said Sheriff Lovely, "we are extremely proud to have him represent Crawford County in the scholarship competition."

Amman will be a 1995 graduate of Grayling High School, where he not only excelled academically, but also maintained a high level of extra-curricular activity.

Tenth annual Free Fishing Weekend, June 10-11

Civic, conservation and business groups, as well as communities around the state, will be holding "how to fish" clinics, fishing derbies and other fishing-related events in conjunction with Michigan's tenth annual Free Fishing Weekend, June 10-11.

"Over the past 10 years, Free Fishing Weekend has become a tradition in Michigan," Department of Natural Resources Director Roland Hammes said. "We encourage families to go fishing together and discover the fun of fishing. This year, Michigan joins with 45 other states hosting similar events in observing National Fishing Week, June 5-11, 1995."

No fishing license or trout/salmon stamp is required of any resident or visitor fishing in Michigan on June 10-11. All fishing regulations apply.

Free Fishing Weekend is an excellent opportunity for experienced anglers to "introduce" the fishing

tradition to those who have not had the chance to try fishing in Michigan's unique and bountiful waters. Michigan offers premier fishing opportunities, with over 11,000 inland lakes, 36,350 miles of rivers and streams (including 12,600 miles of trout waters), and 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline.

Free Fishing Weekend is the annual "kick-off" to summer fishing in Michigan. Organizations who are interested in finding out more about how to hold a successful fishing clinic for youth and novice anglers can obtain a "Take a Friend Fishing" packet of information and tips by writing to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Fisheries Division, P.O. Box 30446, Lansing, MI 48909. Interested parties should include the name of their organization, address, and daytime telephone number with their request. For more information, call 517-373-1280.

Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts seeks volunteers

Friends of Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, the volunteer organization which supports the activities of Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, is seeking additional members to assist with the activities of the center this summer. Volunteers are required in all areas of expertise including: Box office assistants, ushers, community liaisons, school liaisons, carpenters, electricians, sound technicians, costumers, follow spot operators, activities coordinators, promotion and fund-raising associates, and company managers.

This is Kirtland's first full summer of world-class entertainment events. Artists include Ms. Shirley Jones, the Traverse Symphony Orchestra, Mr.

Chet Atkins, The Platters, Ms. Crystal Gayle, The New Reformation Dixieland Band, Mr. Waylon Jennings performing with his wife Jessi Colter, The Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra, and Guy Lombardo's Royal Canadians.

A meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 31, at 7 p.m. in the Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium on the campus of Kirtland Community College to discuss their summer needs. If you are planning to attend, bring along a friend. For more information, contact House Manager Marcell Romancyk at (517) 275-5121 extension 290, or Volunteer Committee Chairperson Suzanne Booth at (517) 473-3903.

Otsego rabbit and cavy show set for June 3

A 4-H/Open Rabbit and Cavy Show will take place Saturday, June 3, at the Otsego County Fairgrounds in Gaylord. Ribbons and trophies will be awarded. Special awards will be presented in the largest breed classes.

Cost for entry is \$2 per class the day of the show. Registrations will be taken between 8 and 8:45 a.m., and the

show begins at 9 a.m.

A poultry show originally planned for the same day has been cancelled. Showbills are available at the MSU Extension office. For more information call Lori Dobosy, show secretary at (517) 732-6168. This program is sponsored by the Otsego County 4-H Small Animal Committee.

Grayling's Karen Febey performs in spring concert at St. Olaf College

Karen Febey of Grayling, performed in St. Olaf College's Norseman Band—Women's Chorale spring concert April 29.

Febey plays the trombone in the 67-member Norseman Band, conducted by St. Olaf music faculty member Paul Niemisto. The band performed eight pieces in the concert, including an Irish folk song, *Ye Banks and Braes of Bonny Doon*, arranged by Percy Aldridge Grainger; *Concert for Two Horns* by George Frederick Handel; *Concertino for Flute, Op. 107* by Cecile Chaminade; *Original Suite* by Gordon Jacob; and *Songs of Praise* by Vaclav Nelhybel.

The Norseman Band is one of two symphonic bands at St. Olaf College. Its members perform regularly on and off campus in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan, and the membership reflects a broad spectrum of academic interests and geographical diversity.

The Women's Chorale, conducted by Sigrid Johnson, is one of two all-female choirs at the college. It is comprised of first-year students and performs regularly on campus.

Discount tickets to amusement parks available

Discount tickets to Cedar Point, Great Adventure, The Detroit Zoo, the Detroit Renaissance Festival and Pleasure Island are available at the Crawford AuSable Community Education office or the Crawford AuSable Central Office located on Michigan Avenue. Special 2-day ticket specials are also available for Cedar Point.

The tickets save money on gate admission and are good for any day all summer. Call 348-7641, extension 551, for more information.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling in the following areas:

The Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin on May 24 and cease on May 31.

The Small Arms Ranges located at Arrowhead Road in Kalkaska County. Firing will begin on May 24 and cease on May 31.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. 197 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Firing will be from May 24 through May 26, and May 30 and May 31.

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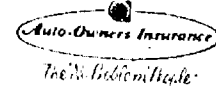


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ISSUES AND OPINIONS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Writer unhappy with plat book story

To the editor:

The Official Crawford County Plat Book? My thesaurus says something is official when it has been established, visual or completed.

I am waiting to see the one Doug Hyde (a resource development specialist for who?) is proposing to publish some time in the future. It sounds great and, if appropriate, I am looking forward to using it in my office, but that book is the 'new' book: Rockford Publishers of Illinois has been printing a plat book for Crawford County since the 1960s. However, all of the same information is available to both publishers; therefore, the old book will be updated, as regularly scheduled, also with 911 street changes.

I feel the whole story was not reflected in the May 18, 1995, article of the *Avalanche*. They and staff writer Linda Sherwood wrote and printed only the information that was made available to them. I am not directing these comments against the *Avalanche* and staff, but just responding to the public on the 'Two new Crawford County plat books creating confusion for advertisers.' Yes, I was telephoned, asked and answered the questions that were printed and quoted by me; but I also offered any other information if they were interested, but was told they had it all.

It was past time to update the current plat book, so several months ago Rockford Map Publishing, Inc. contacted the Crawford County MSU Extension Office of 4-H about renewing their sponsorship and getting it printed. I was told that they declined. Due to plat books being a fund-raising project for soil and water conservation

districts throughout Michigan, I (as the administrator for the Crawford-Roscommon Soil and Water Conservation District) had hoped that when the time arose, the local district could become involved. It was then told that the county commissioners desired taking over the project, but that the Crawford-Roscommon Soil and Water Conservation District (from now on referred to as the District) would be placed next on the list if the county did not approve being a sponsor. After waiting for a few more months, I was contacted by Rockford with the proposal of the District being the sponsor, due to the commissioners not approving a contract with them. Following that decision, I encouraged the District to approve the project at the next monthly board meeting; therefore, this over-due updated plat book project got started immediately.

I believe in 4-H and support it 100 percent... however, I wonder how many dollars it is going to see from this new plat book?

By advertising and supporting the publishing of the current updated book sponsored by the Crawford-Roscommon Soil and Water Conservation District, the sales of the books will go towards supporting the many services, programs and activities assisting every person in Crawford County to conserve the air, animals, plants, soil and water.

In conclusion, as a cooperating local unit of government, had the District been included in developing the new mapping project, we would have been working together instead of being accused of competing against the county for advertising as we are now.

Barb Stauffer

Elected officials favor big business

To the editor:

The incompetence and childishness of some of our elected officials is amazing, with a threat from CESW to sue, they lose their common sense, and threaten to take three commissioners out behind the woodshed. The city council does not understand that CESW has been breaking the contract by hauling from counties not in our county's solid-waste plan, and have been since 1993 — or don't they care?

It is a fact that it is up to our county commissioners to put into force an ordinance or law-enforcement mechanism to insure that the landfill owners abide by the law and our solid-waste plan.

It appears to me some of our elected officials will, at the expense of the citizens, do anything for a big company or business, even to breaking the rules of their own solid-waste plan.

Carl Partello

Elected officials have 'bound and gagged' taxpayers over landfill

To the editor:

I know County Commissioner Kathleen Black accurately represented my concerns in opposing the Maple Forest Landfill Amendment. In fact, the nonsense being perpetrated by you elected officials began when you invited CESW to, in effect, cover up previous violations at the landfill. You are all responsible for planning the conditions that created unnecessary legal action and expense. In typical fashion you punt, pass and kick the blame onto bound and gagged taxpayers. This is what we have come to expect, because we submit to winner-take-all elections; unconditional surrender, and mob rule in the name of representative democracy.

The Grayling City Council is just as responsible for this premeditated act as the commissioners. Further, it is

utterly ridiculous of the council to presume to represent the wishes of the majority in Maple Forest Township.

The \$3.8 million CESW wants returned for breach of contract will just begin to cover the penalties, fines and related clean-up costs. Any additional costs should be covered personally by each and every elected official who was responsible for trying to dump this garbage deal on us.

The ruling elite in Grayling should be "taken behind the woodshed" for their part in the deception. It is reprehensible that in the final analysis you officials make the taxpayers bear the costs of your recklessness and irresponsibility. You keep your waste, we'll keep ours!

Tim Vander Putten
Frederic

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ALMANACK By Richard Milliman

That bickering is really music

— argue to balance the budget with spending cuts, but without a tax cut.

The argument no more is whether, but how. Gone from prominence is the long-standing public argument that deficit spending is really not so bad... that public needs are so great they demand immediate action, even at the cost of borrowed money.

Today's debate is now whether to shoot for a balanced budget by 2002, or shoot for 2005 or a couple years longer.

The deed is yet to be accomplished, and may change the shape of the things in the long run.

But for now, to fiscal conservatives,

the argument is refreshing.

THE PARTIES are not unanimous in how the balanced budget should be accomplished.

House Republicans want the balanced budget by 2002, and they want a tax cut along with certain spending cuts.

President Clinton also wants the budget balanced, but is willing to wait a couple more years. He put a tax cut in his program, too.

Senate Democratic leaders, such as Sens. Tom Daschle of South Dakota and Christopher Dodd of Connecticut, want the budget balanced — either by

2002 or 2005 — and without any tax cut, so spending cuts won't have to be so deep.

Rep. Richard Chrysler of Michigan, one of the feisty GOP newcomers, has proposed a balanced budget by 1999. All you have to do is peg spending at one percent below revenue each year and the entire national debt would be gone by 2025, he claims. Sounds simple.

But the key point in all this is that balancing the budget is a given.

That's a new and refreshing turn of political events.

Now, let's keep an eye on performance.

READ IT ALL — A state senator in West Virginia came up with an intriguing idea for political news coverage.

Sen. Sarah Minear, a Republican, introduced a bill to require West Virginia newspapers to publish every press release issued by a state legislator or legislative candidate.

A senate committee quickly spiked the idea as a joke, but Sen. Minear takes it seriously.

According to a report in *Editor and Publisher* magazine, she said the public has the right to know what legislators and candidates are thinking.

"It should not be at the whim of an editor who either isn't interested in the issue or who doesn't understand it," she said.

Despite the obvious conflict with the United States Constitution, the idea Ms. Minear puts forth would not solve the problems she perceives.

Information in the newspaper must be interesting or it won't be read; and if the subject of the press release is interesting, it more than likely will find its way to print.

In Michigan, complying with a new law such as Ms. Minear suggests would only add to the newsprint shortage.

NO COMMENT — Conservative national columnist Cal Thomas, a bit ago, wrote about media coverage of the Contract with America, and politics in general.

He offered a fascinating simile, repeated here with no further comment. "There is a pattern here that can be compared to certain methods of food preparation," Mr. Thomas wrote.

"Sometimes meat is cooked for a while, and then a thermometer is inserted to see if it is done. If not, the cooking continues until the 'doneness' level matches the requirements of the cook.

"In politics, the meat is the people. The cook is the press and the device to determine 'doneness' is the opinion poll."

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

JIM FITZGERALD

It's getting difficult to exaggerate well

Last week I wrote that Gary Moeller probably got in trouble with the law on purpose to make it easier for him to recruit lawbreaking football players who figured the media and public wouldn't make a big deal of their criminal activities if they played at a university where the head football coach had been arrested for getting drunk and punching a cop.

Some readers thought I was serious.

No surprise. Always, somebody doesn't get satire. A few days earlier, for another example, I wrote that mail bearing the new Richard Nixon stamp "will not be delivered because when you lick it, a printed message appears on the front of the stamp saying: 'I am not a stamp.'"

Quickly, there was a phoned complaint from a woman who said she tried to buy such a no-delivery stamp at the post office "and they just laughed at me."

I'm sorry.

Outland is farther and farther away

Incidentally, several readers said I should start a national movement recommending that everyone using the Nixon stamp should suck it on the envelope crooked.

I like that idea, and it's not necessarily satire. Satire is an exaggeration so outlandish that everyone should understand it's an obvious lie. It is getting harder and harder to be outlandish enough to be disbelieved.

Look at the O. J. Simpson trial, if you can stand it since Kato left. I think

it's incredibly outlandish to suggest that practically the entire Los Angeles Police Department conspired to frame Simpson, planting phony evidence and so on. But an army of experienced, well-paid defense lawyers is seriously intent on convincing the jury of exactly that.

It would be terribly difficult to write a successful satire of the Simpson trial. You'd have to start with a football player who scored more touchdowns than anyone else by continually bursting through tackles in a rental car with one homeless person and 875 attorneys in the trunk.

Treatment fit for a ditchdigger?

Which brings us back to our top priority, recruiting the best athletes available to play for big universities. Of course I don't actually believe any respectable coach would purposely compile a police record just to make his program appear more comfortable for extra-large kindergarten and elementary school recruits who plan to rob convenience stores for spending money once they are college jocks because only coaches are paid big bucks for pimping muscles and kissing sneakers.

Besides, really topflight coaches don't have time to get drunk in bars and paw waitresses. They're too busy hanging around hospital maternity wards with letters of intent to be signed by male infants born to professional male football or basketball players whose wives are retired mud wrestlers.

Several people have griped that



University of Michigan Coach Moeller was treated unfairly by the law and the media simply because he's a Big Ten coach rather than, say, a factory worker. After all, the cops only begged the famous coach to please take a cab home and forget the awful disturbance he'd caused for more than an hour inside a restaurant — an offer he rejected.

If the accused drunken jerk had been a ditchdigger, the police surely would have driven him home and tucked him into bed with a kiss.

And the media didn't over-publicize the crude, embarrassing remarks Moeller made to police just to improve their circulation and ratings, because truly discerning viewers and readers always eat up sleazy news. Conscientious editors did it simply because it's the public's right to know that ditchdiggers should beware of digging badly, lest they become deprived Big Ten coaches who can get paid only a lousy \$130,000 a year for doing nothing.

Mushroom pickers beware

To the editor:

Being a Michigan resident since birth, as was my father before me, it has long been a time-honored tradition that each spring we venture to secret locations deep in the woods to pick the prized morel mushroom. One of the types we always loved was the beefsteak or false morel. It was always one of my favorites because it's easy to see, it has a great flavor and the things are much bigger than its cousins, the black top and white morels. But through the years I kept hearing stories about the hidden dangers involved with eating this variety of fungi.

In time, I weaned myself almost completely from eating the beefsteak morel. However, while hunting mushrooms this spring in Traverse City, I broke down and picked a sack full for old time sake. Afterwards, while discussing different ways to prepare our find, my cousin, Dale Nielson, asked me if I ever opened the brain-like blobs to get the bugs out. Laughing, I said "No, they were a good source of protein." Needless to say, while rinsing off my mushrooms, Dale's words came back to me over and over again until finally I took his advice and started to cut them in half.

After about five or so, I cut into one and to my surprise I crawled a small salamander. Quite shocked by this occurrence, I questioned the palatability of this little creature. I called the National Poison Control Center and asked the lady on the other

end of the line, "What happens to people who eat salamanders?" Her voice grew cold as she asked, "Who has eaten one?" Then I explained what had just happened. With her voice back to its normal tone, she told me false morels contain a substance called monomethyl hydrazine, a chemical found in rocket fuel. This can cause brain damage, liver dysfunction, heart problems, kidney failure, stomach cramps and diarrhea, and in some cases, if that isn't enough, it can cause death. Then she got into the negatives of eating salamanders. These little guys have glands in their skin that secrete tetrodotoxin, which is also found in the oriental puffer fish, which when properly cleaned, is a delicacy served in sushi bars. This toxin is a powerful nerve poison and in a concentrated form is more toxic than cyanide.

The folds which compose the structure of the false morel make a perfect hiding place for a host of living things, including salamanders.

My lady and I had a nice chat about the joys of being poisoned. She ended with "Why take the chance?" I guess it comes down to how you feel about your own luck and the luck of your loved ones. If you still decide to eat this type of mushroom, please take the time to open it before cooking, just to make sure you're eating only what you think you are. Good luck.

Bob Hodgins
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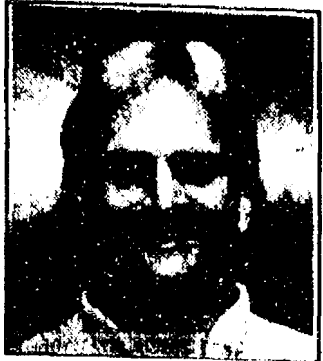
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TALL TIMBER TALES

By Mark Stormzand

Seasons

I could not hear a bird singing, or a babbling brook, or even the sound of traffic on the highway a mile away. All I could hear was this bloody buzzing. It was not a loud sound, but an ever-present sound. It was the sound of hordes of mosquitoes trying to attack any part of my body which was uncovered. Thankfully, that was only my face and hands. But, the mosquitoes were not the problem. Sure, they would bite if given the slightest chance, but I learned many years ago I could outwit them by wearing lots of clothes, a hat, and by constantly brushing my face with my hands. The real threat to my existence was the black fly. My life as a forester was held in balance by this tiny, viscous, biting little menace. If not counterattacked, they would lower my blood supply so low I probably could not even crawl out of the bush at the end of the day. I always felt everything was put on this earth for a reason, but for the life of me, I can't figure out why we had to have the black fly.

I was sitting there huddled up like I was freezing to death. In fact, I could have not been hotter if I had been sitting in my sauna. I had on a long sleeve shirt, hat, bandana around my neck, and my pants tucked into my boots. The sweat was just pouring off my body. But, the black flies were kept at bay.

For the past three hours, I had been criss-crossing a 400-acre parcel of forest land in order to make a timber-type map. Normally, this walking was a piece of cake. However, with the summer heat and fighting the bugs, I was spent. Even my dog, Prairie, was tired of the bugs and the heat. So, I decided we needed a break.

I tried in vain to work on my map, but the black flies demanded my hands be free. Then a familiar thought came into my head. Actually, I get this thought every year at this time. I wonder if I should have taken another major in college? The thought of being in an air-conditioned office without black flies was rather tempting. I reminded myself this was only temporary and soon the snow would be flying.

Seasons, that's what this was. Just seasons, nothing more, nothing less. If I could keep that in mind, this would all pass. Everything comes in seasons. At least, that's what I had learned while living in Maine. There, the whole year was broken up into seasons. If you did not like the season you were in, chances are you would love the next.

Sitting there with the sweat dripping off my nose, I could see my old friend, Myron Perkins, sitting on a stone wall explaining how the seasons worked in Maine.

Myron had explained that the first season was the harvest season. It was not August or September; it was harvest season. I am not sure why the Maine calendar started with August, but it did. After the harvest season came the color season. This was not a hard one to figure out because the mountain sides were ablaze in the fall. I was ready for the next season. It had to be deer season. I was wrong; it was cider season. The time when all the

apples were pressed into a perfect drink.

Next came balsam season. This was the time when balsam bows were cut for all of the Christmas wreaths. Most of these wreaths were sent up and down the eastern seaboard. I was able to guess the next season, Christmas.

Winter was one long season which lasted until sugar season. Sugar season was loved by all. Even if you were not involved in the making of maple syrup, you loved the hint of spring. The only downfall with sugar season was that it coincided with mud season. Mud season lasted from the first breakup of winter to early May when the temperature stayed above freezing. Most Mainers took pride in mud season. It was considered grand to be able to tell your neighbor that you had to canoe down the dooryard (driveway) to get the mail.

At the end of mud season came wood season. That's when everybody puts up their firewood for the coming winter. After wood season came the mother of all seasons, black fly season.

In itself, black fly season was a bittersweet season. The black fly season brought the new spring growth and better weather. But, it also brought the black fly. You wanted to be outdoors to enjoy early summer, but that tiny enemy lurked everywhere. I can still remember the sight of my wife trying to hang the laundry out. She had every inch of her body covered with clothes, including a head net, and the temperature would be near 80. I think the term "not a happy camper" may have started with that experience.

Prairie tried to cover her eyes up with her paws to keep the little buggers from biting her. I could see her nose had swelled up where they must have already made their mark. I had been brushing them away from behind my ears but I, too, had some areas that were starting to swell up.

"OK Prairie. This is not much of a break. Let's get going," I said as I squashed a fly on my clipboard. "Great. Now I have a red spot right in the middle of my map."

The timber-type map I was making was going to be used to make proper forestry and wildlife-management recommendations. I was jotting down

species quality and quantity, age classes, soil conditions, and wildlife-habitat conditions. Normally, making a timber-type map of a property was one of my favorite forestry tasks. Today though, it was pure drudgery. This particular 400 acres ran parallel to Lake Huron. Consequently, it was low, thick and wet.

By looking at my aerial photo, I knew I had to set my compass due west to finish my mapping. I also could see from the photo that I was about to hit a very long and narrow beaver pond. The photo had been taken in 1987, so there was a very slim chance the pond had drained. As I stumbled through the tag alder, my worst fears came true. Not only had the pond not drained, it looked twice as big.

I looked across the wide pond and said to Prairie, "What bloody, rotten luck we're having today. We can't back track. We have to go through it."

She did not mind. By the time I had all my clothes off she was half way across the pond. I kept my boots on, but the rest of my clothes I held above my head. The water was warm and smelly and came about to my chest. Mosquitoes and black flies were buzzing my head, and I was sure leeches were attaching themselves to

my legs. I was singing, "Seasons! This is nothing but seasons!" at the top of my lungs.

When I reached the other shore, I started running to beat the bugs. Not only had I learned from the aerial photo about the beaver pond, but I had also learned that Lake Huron was only 100 yards past the pond. What a sight I must have been, running through the woods with only my boots on, singing, "Seasons, this is nothing but seasons," with Prairie just ahead of me.

Prairie bounded through the small surf. I tossed my clothes on the beach, kicked off my boots and headed in after her. The cold Lake Huron water felt so good as I dove in. We swam out till the water was over my head. Prairie just swam in big circles and I floated on my back checking for leeches.

"You know, Prairie," I said as I laid there floating, "I don't remember Myron telling me about this season, and it is one of my favorites. I wonder if they have skinny-dipping season in Maine?"

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RSVP HAPPENINGS

By Gloria Mologianes

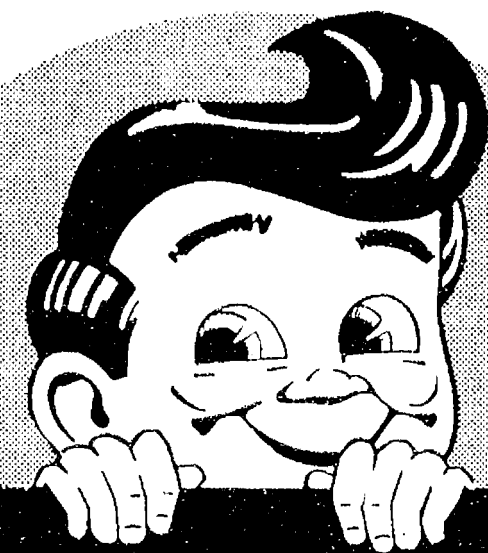
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help in making this all possible for us. We are looking forward to having an office large enough for us to work without being cramped for space. Our phone number and address will remain the same, just new space across the street.

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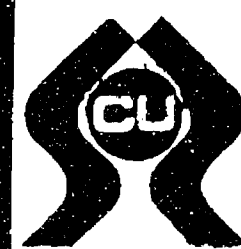
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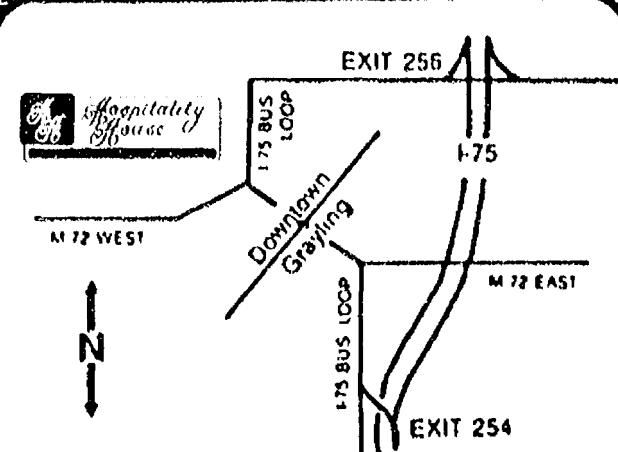
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The U.S. Flag--display it proudly and correctly this Memorial Day holiday

Submitted by Marie Scott, VFW, Carl W. Borchers Post 3736 and Auxiliary

The United States Flag represents the living country and is considered to be a living thing, emblematic of the respect and pride we have for our nation. We owe reverence and respect to our flag. It represents the highest ideals of individual liberty, justice and equal opportunity for all. The flag is a precious possession. Display it proudly.

There are certain fundamental rules for proper display and use of the United States Flag, as established by generally accepted custom and by Public Law 94-344 approved by Congress and signed by the President of the United States.

1. It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on

buildings and on stationary flagstaves in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

2. The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

3. The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed.

4. The flag should be displayed on all special days.

5. The flag should be displayed daily on, or near the main administration building of every public institution.

6. The flag should be displayed in, or near every polling place on election days.

7. The flag should be displayed during school days in, or near every schoolhouse.

8. When the flag is displayed from a staff projecting from a window sill, balcony or building front, the union (stars) of the flag should always be at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half-staff. When suspended over a sidewalk from a rope between a building and a pole at the edge of the sidewalk, the flag should be hoisted out from the building, union first.

9. When displayed over the middle of the street, the flag should be suspended vertically, with the union to the north in an east west street, or to the east in a north and south street.

10. When carried in a parade front with other flags, the U.S. Flag should always be to the marching right of the other flags or to the front and center of the flag line.

11. When displayed on a float in a parade the U.S. Flag should be mounted on a staff or if displayed flat, it should be so suspended that its folds fall free.

12. The flag should not be draped over the hood, top, sides or back of a vehicle or of a railroad train or a boat. When the flag is displayed on a motor car, the staff should be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the right fender.

13. The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.

14. During the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the flag, or when the flag is passing in a parade or in review, all persons present except those in uniform should face the flag and stand at attention with the right hand over the heart. Those in uniform should render the military salute. Men should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Aliens should stand at attention.

15. During the rendition of the national anthem when the flag is displayed, rule 14 should be followed. When the flag is not displayed those present should face toward the music and act in the same manner they would if the flag were displayed there.

16. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag should be rendered by standing at attention facing the flag with the right hand over the heart. Men should remove their headdress and hold it at the left shoulder with their right hand over the heart. Persons in uniform should remain silent, face the flag, and render the military salute.

17. When flags of two or more nations are displayed they should be flown from separate staffs of the same height and the flags should be of approximately equal size.

18. When flags or pennants of states, cities or societies are flown on the same halyard with the Flag of the U.S.A., the latter should always be at the peak. When flown from adjacent staffs the U.S. Flag should be hoisted first and lowered last.

19. No other flag or pennant should be placed above or, if on the same level, to the right of the U.S. Flag, except during church services conducted by naval chaplains at sea.

20. When a number of flags of states or cities, or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs with the U.S. Flag, the latter should be at the center and highest point of the group.

21. When displayed with another flag, the U.S. Flag should be to its own right, or the observer's left, with its staff over that of the other flag.

22. The U.S. Flag should not be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, state, city, organizational or other flags are dipped as a mark of honor.

23. Do not display the Flag of the U.S.A. with the union down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.

24. Do not let the Flag of the U.S.A. touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, floor, water or merchandise.

25. The flag should be a distinctive feature of a ceremony for unveiling a statue or monument but the flag should never be used as the cover for the statue or monument.

26. On Memorial Day, the flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon only, then raised to the top of the staff. By order of the President, the flag shall be flown at half-staff upon the death of principal figures of the U.S. Government and the governor of a state, territory, or possession, as a mark of respect to their memory.

27. When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be uppermost and to the flag's own right. When displayed in a window, the flag should be displayed in the same way.

28. The U.S. Flag should never be used as drapery, never festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds. It should always be allowed to fall free.

29. Blue, white, and red bunting should be used for covering a speaker's stand, draping a platform front or for general decorations.

30. When bunting is displayed vertically, the blue will be to the observer's left, white in the center and red on the right.

31. The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used or stored in such manner as will permit it to be easily torn, soiled or damaged.

32. The flag should never be used as a ceiling cover.

33. Never hang or drape the flag in any position below the seats on a platform.

34. When used on a speaker's platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should be above and behind the speaker.

35. When displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium, the

Flag of the U.S.A. should hold the position of superior prominence, in advance of the audience, and in the position of honor at the clergyman's or speaker's right as he faces the audience. Any other flag so displayed should be placed at the left of the clergyman or speaker or to the right of the audience.

36. The U.S. Flag should never be used as a table cover or receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying or delivering anything.

37. The U.S. Flag should never have placed upon any part of it, nor attached to it, any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture or drawing of any nature.

38. The flag should never be used for advertising purposes in any manner whatsoever. It should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions or handkerchiefs and the like, printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkins or boxes or anything that is designed for temporary use and discard. Advertising signs should not be fastened to a staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.

39. When a flag is used on a casket its union should be over the deceased's left shoulder. Carry the casket feet first. The flag should not be lowered into the grave, nor allowed to touch the ground.

40. After a U.S. Flag has been used as a casket cover it may, and should, be displayed in every normal manner.

41. When the flag is placed upon a grave, see that it will not touch the ground. Do not leave it there indefinitely. In Arlington, and other national cemeteries, flags are removed the following day.

42. Never destroy a U.S. Flag in public ceremony. When a flag is so badly torn, soiled or faded that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, the flag should be destroyed in private, preferably by burning and without ceremony. A torn flag may be mended, or if soiled it may be washed or dry cleaned.

43. Any rule or custom pertaining to the display of the U.S. Flag may be changed or repealed, or additional rules may be prescribed only by the President of the United States, acting as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces. Any such change shall be set forth in a Presidential proclamation.

MERCY HOSPITAL BIRTHS

The following parents are proud to announce their recent arrivals at Grayling Mercy Hospital:

Hallis and Troy Romancky of St. Helen: Morgan Dee, May 7, 1995, 9 pounds, 7.8 ounces.

Tammy Jo Herman of Luzerne: Breanna Jo, May 9, 1995, 9 pounds, 12 ounces.

Jeannie Marie Payne of Frederic: Trudy Rosalie, May 9, 1995, 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

Paul and Beth Hamlin of Grayling: Jo Reichenbach, May 9, 1995, 8 pounds, 2 ounces.

Brad Trenary and Toye Sheldon of Grayling: Molly Elizabeth, May 10, 1995, 7 pounds, 13.2 ounces.

Greg and Elizabeth Schmidt of Grayling: Kyle Paul, May 10, 1995, 8 pounds, 4 ounces.

BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

Thursday evening, May 11, was president's exchange day for the Gaylord and Grayling Kiwanis Clubs. Grayling took an interclub to the Gaylord meeting at the Holiday Inn, and also furnished the program, which was Phil Weiler showing the 6-minute film of the AuSable Canoe Marathon and discussing the race. It is an excellent film done by the Englishmen who accompanied the English racers here last year. The film and talk by Phil sparked a great deal of interest to the Gaylord members. Grayling members who attended were President Larry Winslow, Major Dale French, Bob and Fay Bovee.

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DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter



GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD WINNER--Marge Olver is shown with Empire Bank Chairman James E. Dutmer, Jr., after being named a Good Neighbor Award winner.

Empire National Bank announces Good Neighbor Award winners

Empire National Bank announced the winners of the seventh annual Good Neighbor Awards at the annual meeting of shareholders of Empire Banc Corporation May 16.

Seven residents of northwest lower Michigan were named 1995 Good Neighbors in honor of their service to their communities. Marge Olver of Grayling was awarded a plaque and a \$500 donation to her favorite charity.

"They are the people who make their communities better places to live and work," said Empire National Bank Chairman James E. Dutmer, Jr.

Olver has been a volunteer with the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary for 32 years.

She also volunteers with the American Cancer Society, the American Red Cross and the Hartwick Pines Book Nook. Additionally, she works at Mercy Hospital's monthly blood pressure clinic and drives senior citizens from the senior center to their doctor's appointments.

Empire National Bank's Good Neighbor Award was established in 1989, and recognizes individuals or couples who volunteer their time and energy to serving others in each of the communities in which the bank has branches. They were chosen from nominations made by officials of service agencies and individuals.

When time allows I like to carve or whittle something from wood. It is a nice way to creatively pass time. Over the years, I would hesitate to say how many miniature canoe paddles have appeared from a seemingly plain piece of cedar, pine or basswood, but it takes about four minutes with good wood and a sharp pocket knife. If you are interested in learning how, come take a guided tour with me sometime this summer and get a free demonstration.

My far-back ancestors carved ceremonial masks, spoons, ladles and other tools without sophisticated tools, until the introduction of steel by the other half of my ancestors. Before the introduction of tempered steel my far-back ancestors used knives of flint, and obsidian, and if axes as we think of them, were unknown, or at least uncommon, the adze was not. Adze blades could be of almost any hard sharp stone. Detail work was done with cutting edges on knives and chisels of stone, clam shells and beaver

teeth. Needless to say, any intricate carving was a slow, laborious process, even when soft woods were used.

A few months ago some friends returning from Alaska brought me a book on totem poles which rekindled my desire to carve a totem pole similar to those carved by the native peoples of the Pacific Northwest. The major problem is a suitable piece of wood, as

some of the original poles were four feet in diameter and over 60 feet tall. Such poles are carved nowhere else in the world except southeastern Alaska and western British Columbia.

Considering that the surface used by the carver is curved, it is necessary to cover the surface with as much of the subject as possible. If the space did not allow the whole figure to be carved certain identifying marks were included with as much else as possible. Any animals, birds, or humans had to sit or stand with their legs, wings or arms held close to the body. Due to the

length and narrow width of the surface to be carved, the figures are often distorted to fit into the designated surface area of the pole. Some carvers added separate wings, beaks and fins to provide even more 3-dimensional aspects, to illustrate legends, lineage crest and history.

In the far back times, ochre was used for shades of red, brown and

yellow, copper-impregnated clay furnished a highly prized bluish-green and graphite provided black. White could be obtained from baked clam shells, but colors were used only to emphasize parts of the pole. So until the right piece of wood comes along for a suitable totem pole, I guess it is easier to carve miniature canoe paddles.

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

By Pat Jackman

Another cold morning for the ladies auxiliary golf league on May 17. It was cloudy and windy to start, but the sun did come out and warm it up a little.

Each week prizes are awarded for low puts and low net.

Flight A winners were Fran Shires, low net, 32, and Corrine Smith, low puts, 14.

Flight B winner for low net was Pat

Jackman with 34. Nancy Glasslee and Gloria Nielson each had low puts with 15.

Flight C winner for low net was Caroline DiPonio with 32. Nancy Graf and Peggy Whipple each had low puts with 16.

Flight D winners for low puts were Sue Brenner and Mo McNamara with 16 each, and Sue Brenner got low net with a 37.

No one had a bird this day of golf, as they probably all went south to get warm!

MAGISTRATE

Appearing before Magistrate Jean Callewaert:

Bradley R. Payne of East Lansing, was fined \$100 for Hunt Small Game Without License.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: The wise person speaks softly and sweetly. You never know when you may have to eat your words!

The birthday dinner was very nice and four people were honored for their May birthdays: Ann Buron, Opal Coleman, Richard Kage and Eita Nash. They were presented with a miniature birthday cake, through the courtesy of Glen's Market, and a carnation to celebrate their birthday. Ice cream and cake helped round out the evening and everyone enjoyed themselves. Next month, the birthday dinner will be on Thursday, June 15, so mark your calendars ahead and be sure to come in for your June birthday party!

You are in for a treat tonight, May 24, in the "R & R" portion of the evening. No, it doesn't stand for rest and rehabilitation; it does not stand for rock & roll; it does stand for roundtable reminiscing and it is just as it sounds. We will have discussions on various topics ranging from soup to nuts, to what color would you choose if you

could only wear one for a year, or what stage name would you choose for your silver-screen debut. Ponder these questions and be prepared to have a rip-roaring time at our first "R & R" session.

Remember the "Big Picture" on Monday at the movies, 5:30 p.m.

May 29-Memorial Day, the Center is closed.

June 5-Forrest Gump with Tom Hanks -- the block-buster hit that won him another Oscar.

June 12-The Ref.

June 22-Greedy with Michael J. Fox.

*Note: Movie will be held on Thursday, due to the Father's Day dinner on Monday, June 19.

June 26-The Sacketts - Part I with Tom Selleck; Part II will be shown in July.

Mark your calendars and come on in!

Come and eat at the center. The meals are tasty, well balanced, and it really is the best deal in town! Any senior, or spouse 60+, in Crawford County is welcome and bring your

friends and families. The suggested donation is \$1.50 for seniors and a \$2.50 charge for those under 60.

Please take note! Reservations are recommended, however, we can always take a few walk-ins -- but for the most part, try and call ahead (348-7123). Meals are served at noon and 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday and noon only on Fridays. Menus are subject to change and are listed as lunch/dinner.

May 24-Roast Chicken/Roast Beef;

May 25-Connecticut Ham Dinner/

Stuffed Peppers;

May 26-Sweet & Sour Pork;

May 29-Memorial Day, center

closed;

May 30-Kielbasa & Kraut/Fish;

May 31-Herbed Chicken/Roast

Pork;

June 1-Liver & Onions/Pot Roast;

June 2-Pork Chops/No dinner.

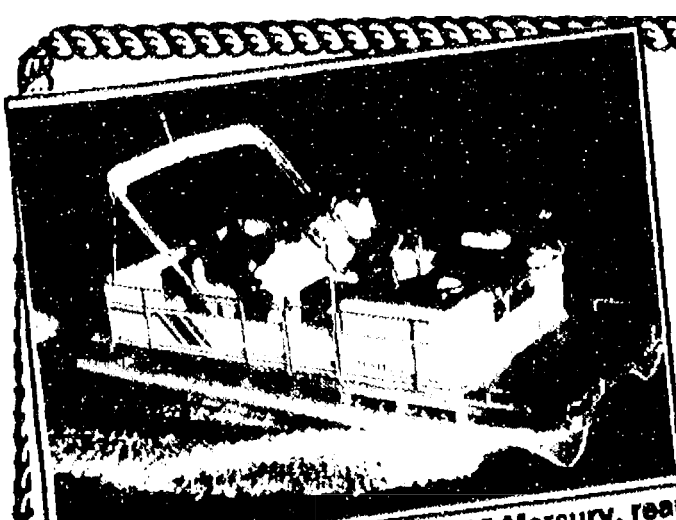
Coming Events

May 24-"R & R" at 5:30 p.m.

May 25-Blood pressures taken from

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KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEWS

Business telecourses
Kirtland Community College (KCC) will be offering two business telecourses this summer. Telecourses are a convenient, flexible way for the mature, self-directed student with a busy schedule to pursue a college education.

Introduction to Business will meet for an orientation session on Wednesday, June 7, at 5 p.m., in room 3. Additional class meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, July 12, and Wednesday, Aug. 2. Principles of Management will have a required orientation session on Wednesday, June 7, at 6:30 p.m., with additional classes meeting on July 12 and Aug. 2. Students are required to view all video lessons, complete all assignments and exams, and attend any scheduled on-campus classes.

Students may view courses by checking out tapes of classes and viewing them at home. Students may also sign up to view the taped lessons in the library.

For further information on these courses, contact Mr. Jerre Lewis at 517-275-5121, extension 219.

Stained glass class
A class on "stained glass" will be held at KCC on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 a.m. until 12 noon during the summer semester. The summer semester begins June 5 and runs until July 28.

The class will be taught by Debbie Gouin. Gouin, an artist known statewide, has marketed her artwork at various art fairs in the state. Her artwork is on exhibit in the display case in the KCC Vocational-Technical building. In the class, students will learn the

fundamental techniques of stained glass. They will also explore the history of stained glass, as well as pattern design and solder techniques. There is a \$25 lab fee. Students will be

required to purchase additional tools not provided in the lab.

For more information, contact Joe Donna at 517-275-5121, extension 226.

Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts presents summer schedule

Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts at Kirtland Community College, presents a sensational summer season beginning June 10 and ending Aug. 26.

Shirley Jones, Chet Atkins, the New Reformation Dixieland Band, Traverse Symphony Orchestra, The Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra, Waylon Jennings, Jive at Five and Iowa Rose, The

Platters, Jesus Christ Superstar and Crystal Gayle will be presented at the college. Most performances are on Saturday evenings and many will be held outdoors, under the tent.

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M.S.U. EXTENSION NEWS

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By Elizabeth McMillin, Family Nutrition Education Program Coordinator, Crawford County MSU Extension

Michigan is still a 'chubby' state

Michigan has one of the nation's chubbiest, least healthy populations, according to a state-by-state report card on American health.

The report, Behavioral Risk Factor Survey, part of a national report coordinated by federal health officials, found that nearly 30 percent of Michiganders were overweight, putting the state in sixth place nationwide -- down from third place in 1992, and first in 1991.

This change in ranking doesn't mean Michiganders are getting slimmer -- it means the obesity rates in other states may be catching up to ours.

State residents also kept their reputation as hard drinkers, rising to second in the nation for prevalence of

drinking and driving, up from fourth place.

On the bright side, officials were cheered by the high rate of seat belt usage in Michigan (84 percent say they buckle up), health insurance coverage (more than 90 percent say they're covered), and an apparent decline in smoking.

Smoking dropped from an average of 28 percent of Michiganders in the late 1980s to 25 percent in 1993. Michigan now ranks 13th nationwide in the percentage of people who smoke, down from second in 1990. Officials say that more years of data are needed to confirm a decline.

To fight obesity, the state will embark on its first organized program

to improve Michiganders' diets in 1995. Using the Five A Day program, developed in California, which promotes eating at least two servings of fruit and three servings of vegetables a day, promoters will place brochures, posters and other promotions at Michigan supermarkets and other sites.

Other listings for Michigan include fifth in the percentage of residents (six percent) who have ever been told they have diabetes and 22nd in the percentage (22 percent) ever told they have high blood pressure.

Twenty-five percent could not tread water for five minutes.

Health experts say there are no simple reasons why Michigan residents are notorious for having poor

health habits. Some point to the state's historic role as a leading dairy producer for contributing to our high-fat diets. Ethnic background may also play a part -- the obesity rate among blacks was nearly double that of whites.

The risk factor survey is based on thousands of phone surveys conducted nationwide by state health departments. The effort is coordinated by the federal government's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Michigan has participated in the survey since 1987, when 34 states plus the District of Columbia pooled their figures. The current report covers the District of Columbia and every state except Washington.



FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

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Running, aerobics, playing tennis - these are the types of activities that strengthen the body and help maintain good health, right? Usually, but there are dangers as well. Particularly among runners and other avid sports enthusiasts, a painful foot problem called plantar fasciitis can be one of the down sides to physical activities that put heavy weight-bearing pressure on the feet. The plantar fascia is a thick, fibrous band that extends under the foot from the heel bone to the toes. Repeated pressure can produce painful inflammation of the tissue and lead to spike-like bone growths at the heel. Treatment can range from icing and rest to orthotics (prescription inserts) and surgery for advanced cases.

Athletically inclined or not, no one can

afford to play games with persistent foot injuries, diseases and disorders. Podiatric problems demand the attention of a professional. Don't let foot problems keep you on the sidelines. Consult with GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C., 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City (922-9100 & 800-968-7440) instead. We offer prompt treatment of specific problems, as well as preventive care to keep you on your feet. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

P.S. Plantar fasciitis is also known as heel spur syndrome.



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Local writer published in national magazine

Local writer Don Geiss has recently had an article published in the *African Violet*, a national glossy bimonthly magazine.

The article titled, "Economy Tips on Growing African Violets" describes techniques in obtaining or making accessories for the commercial or dedicated collector of the flowering plants.

Geiss grows and sells the violets

and has been active in conducting workshops in the area about the plants. He presently has about 1,000 plants with about one-third in flower at any one time.

The article is the first he has published in the violet magazine, although he has submitted another story which may be printed in a future issue.

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VIEWPOINT

By James Briney, Managing Director of The Road Commission For Crawford County

The change over from winter to summer operations went very well. We have continued the 6 a.m. starting time and made the transition to 10 hours days, on a 4-day-per-week regular work schedule. While this is not desirable during winter maintenance operations, it nets a savings of \$23,000 during the summer schedule. We are experiencing greater productivity due to longer days, reduced set-up time and greater efficiencies in the use of energy and fuel.

Perhaps you have noticed, driving by on the freeway, that the road commission yard has been cleaned up and organized. During the change over period this spring, when sanders and salters were removed and repaired, the summer equipment was serviced fully and put in to operation. Some of the work force and volunteers also worked to organize our supplies and to plant trees, bushes and wildflowers. The materials, which are stored outside, now are lined up according to size and type. The planting is intended to prevent erosion in the areas that have opened up, and over time, to make for a better view. Special thanks to Boy Scout Troop 979, Georgia-Pacific, Charlie Fick and the Crawford-Roscommon Soil and Water Conservation District staff.

Because we anticipate an annual revenue loss of \$175,000 beginning

Oct. 1, 1995, we have taken another look at cutting our costs. So, in addition to a variety of efficiencies already in place, we are headed toward "privatizing" the production and distribution of official road maps. This is being done in a joint venture with the chamber of commerce and others. These Build Michigan funds, which we and others will lose, came from money which the state borrowed, instead of raising the gasoline tax.

The Lovells Road project is underway, utilizing federal, state, township and private sector funds. The public hearing on this project was held in the road commission board room on Jan. 27, followed by the required federal and state funding process meeting on Feb. 1. Bids were read on April 7 and the project is scheduled for completion prior to July 4th of this year.

Because we are using matching funds, which do not have to be repaid, and private sector contractors and sub-contractors are involved in our larger projects, we are able to free up more of our basic sources of funds, (Act 51 money). Likewise, our work force is able to engage in more miles of routine maintenance activity on our primary and local road systems. This all results in the level of service being higher and more miles of roads being maintained.

Since the first of the year, when I

became full time, I have met with five of the six township boards during their regular meetings. When I have met with the one remaining township on the schedule, another article will be written to inform readers of the work we are doing together.

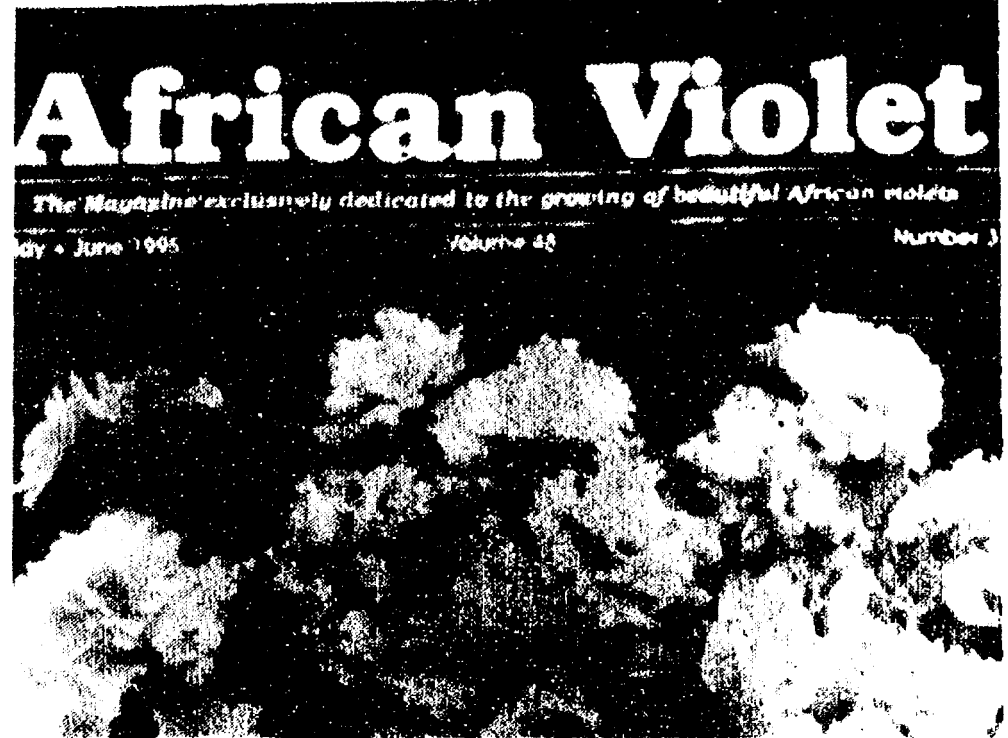
In cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Smith Bridge is open. As the former bridge was being removed by the road commission contractor, DNR plans and construction of the new bridge remained on schedule. Many thanks to all involved in this successful project. The military participated by first installing, then removing the temporary Bailey Bridge, which capped the former structure.

Physical inspection of the new Smith Bridge took place on May 19, by the road commission engineer under contract. The DNR construction engineer was present. A punch list of corrections have been made. Once the DNR has completed the file on this project, it is anticipated that a favorable recommendation, to the board of county road commissioners, will result in the road commission acquiring ownership of the bridge, along with maintenance responsibilities.

The road commission is set to adopt minimum road construction standards. This means that roads which are upgraded will meet the standard required for certification. More importantly, to you, it means that whomever builds a road within our system, there will be sufficient grade, gravel, bituminous and drainage. Roads within the jurisdiction of the road commission will be built to last and maintenance costs will be lessened.

The road commission is working with the military to establish guidelines, by resolution, to maintain safe roads during the occasional times when the firing ranges at Camp Grayling are in use. In the future, when temporary closings occur, advance notice will be given, proper signs will be placed and newly established procedures will be followed. Due to the extensive upgrading of the firing range facilities, it is likely that the next two years will see less activity in this regard, than usual.

James Briney is past president of his professional association, the 31-county Association of Southern Michigan Road Commissions, and is now a member of the Northern Michigan Association of Road Commissions.



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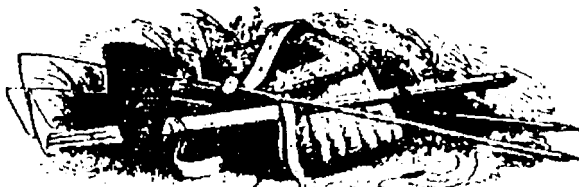


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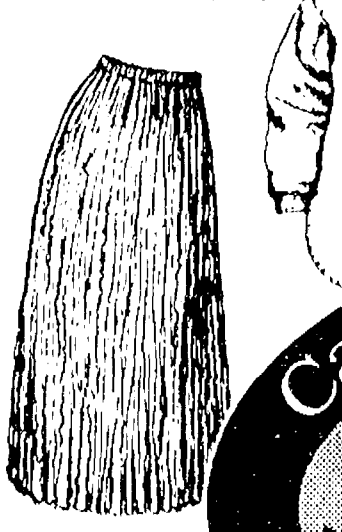
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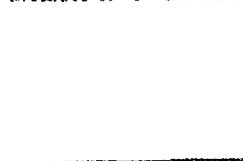


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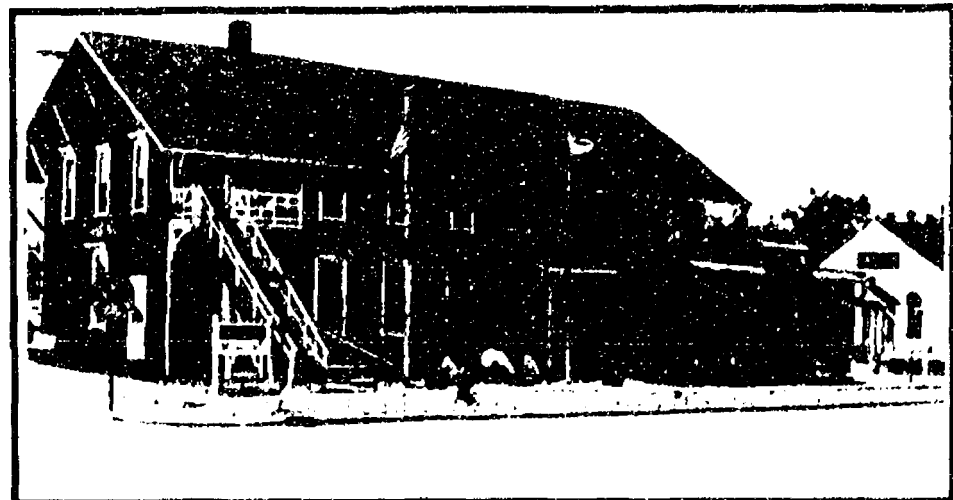


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To help avoid injuries, the following simple steps are recommended:

Traffic injuries (child safety seats)

Motor-vehicle crashes are the leading cause of injury-related deaths for children ages 14 and under.

"When properly used, child-safety seats with safety belts, are 71 percent effective in preventing fatalities and 67 percent effective in preventing serious injuries," said Basch, who recommends always using child-safety seats when traveling with children in a vehicle.

When children outgrow the safety seats, at about 40 pounds, use a booster seat with safety belts until the children weight over 60 pounds or can fit properly in the belt alone, Basch added. Follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully.

If all vehicle occupants ages four and under were restrained, 200 lives could be saved and 20,000 injuries prevented annually, traffic-safety experts say.

Bicycle injury

With the exception of the automobile, bicycles are associated with more childhood injuries than any other consumer product.

Cyclists ages 14 and under are at five times higher risk for injury than older cyclists. Head injury is the leading cause of death in bicycle crashes.

"About 80 percent of bicycle deaths involve head injuries," Basch said. "Yet only 15 percent of children regularly wear helmets."

Universal use of bike helmets by children ages four to 15 could prevent 135-155 deaths annually nationwide.

Fire safety

Each year, approximately 1,000 children ages 14 and under die in residential fires across the United

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In 1993, 71 children under 10 perished in Michigan fires, more than any other age group. They represented 30.5 percent of all civilian fire deaths.

"For a few dollars and a little family planning time, a family can prepare for fire emergencies," said Basch.

"Smoke detectors and home fire-safety drills are keys for a quick home emergency exit. Family members may only have three minutes to get out safely before being overcome by smokes and gases."

To guard against fires, install smoke detectors in sleeping areas and on every

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HE'S A LIFE SAVER! -- Patrolman Karl DeVries receives his Citation for Life-Saving Action from Grayling City Mayor Robert Golinick. DeVries received the citation for saving Pastor James VanLiere during Sunday services in February.

City officer receives award for saving life

When Pastor James Van Liere collapsed on Sunday, Feb. 19, while his congregation was singing hymns, Grayling City Police patrolman Karl DeVries and Grayling resident Marc Stewart responded immediately. The two were attending Sunday morning services at Heritage Baptist Church in Grayling.

Van Liere had a faint pulse when 911 was called. When Van Liere's breathing and pulse stopped before rescue workers had arrived, DeVries and Stewart initiated CPR. They maintained resuscitation efforts until the arrival of North Flight Ambulance personnel.

Van Liere was taken to Mercy Hospital and later transferred to Petoskey where he was diagnosed as having a sudden death cardiac arrest. He had by-pass surgery on Feb. 22,

and has been home recovering for about 10 weeks.

Rev. Van Liere hasn't returned to preaching yet. He has been doing a lot of walking and watching his diet.

"I'm just following doctors orders now," said Van Liere. Avoiding stress is one of the doctor's orders, so Van Liere can't return to preaching until his doctor says it is okay.

North Flight personnel confirmed, as did the attending physician, that the actions of patrolman DeVries and Stewart were instrumental in the saving of Van Liere's life.

Peter Stephan, Grayling chief of police, recommended Patrolman DeVries for employee meritorious recognition and will submit Patrolman DeVries and Marc Stewart to the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP) Police and Citizens Awards Committee for state recognition. Those awards will be handed out next year.

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A story, with accompanying photographs, on page 2B-3B are true and graphic depictions of the violent horrors of a Nazi concentration camp of World War II. Parents need to decide if the story and photos are appropriate for young readers.

NOTES NORTHERN

Section B

MAY 25, 1995

Remembering our Civil War veterans

By Fay Bovee

When a woman, who was recently in Grayling searching for a long-lost grandfather, came to the historical museum, little did we realize that her search would spark an interest in the Civil War, and the men and women who died for their beliefs.

Our search now, for all of those who have lain forgotten in our cemeteries, has consumed a great deal of time and research, and has led to a much greater interest in the Civil War.

As another Memorial Day approaches, one phase of the recognition of Civil War veterans who are buried in the local cemeteries is completed. To our knowledge, all Civil War veterans who are buried in the old section of Elmwood Cemetery now have headstones, either personal or specially-designated Civil War stones. In looking at the pictures, you may notice that all government stones have the same distinctive shield marking. This was not evident until we had photographed all of the stones.

Some of my "Bits of Talk" readers will probably recall that I asked for information on some people who were

unknown. After almost a year of research, the last mystery, "Who was William Walker?" was solved. Trips to the courthouse looking for records, microfilm of the Avalanche, long-distance phone calls, letters, and chats with local people finally resulted in the information we needed to order the stone. Thanks to Mrs. Roland Wilcox, who came up with a handwritten book of her mother's, with dates and army information, and to Mrs. Joe Durga who answered my letter.

By Memorial Day of 1994, 14 veterans had been identified as having stones in the old section of the cemetery. This year, we added four more people to the list, Adelbert Taylor, William Chalker, William Walker, and Carlos Johnson. The first three named now have new stones furnished by the government. Thanks to Derik McEvers, who ordered the stones, checked them to see that they are correct and unmarked, and sent back those which were imperfect, and to the cemetery sexton, Pete Stephan, and the prison crew who has been setting them in place.

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REUBEN S. BABBITT — Co. K, 9th MI Infantry



MYRON DYER — Co. K, Michigan Volunteers



URIAH J. SHIRTS — unit unknown



EDGAR H. WAINWRIGHT — Co. B, 1st WI Vol.



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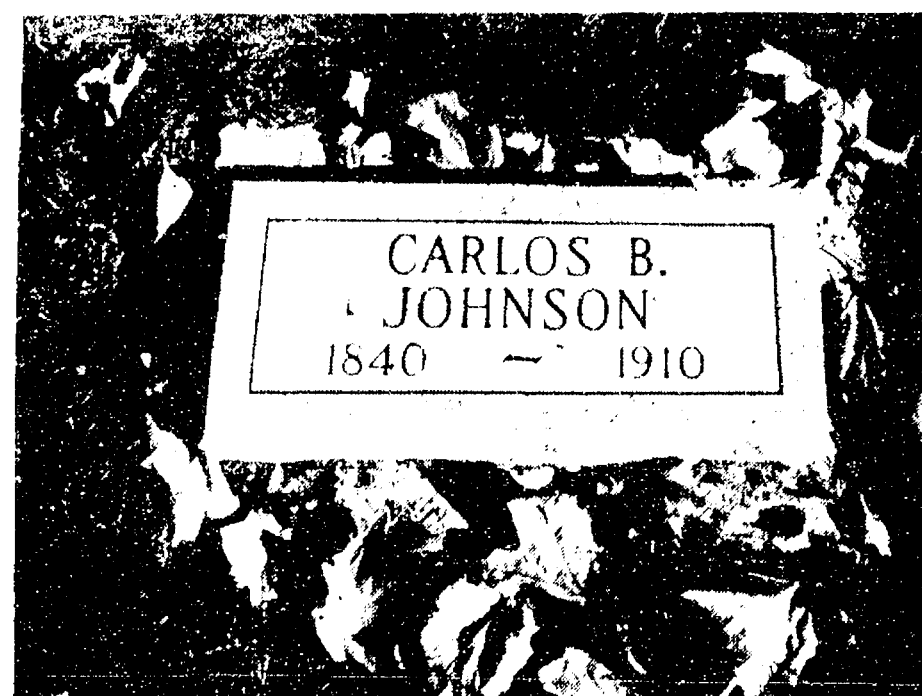
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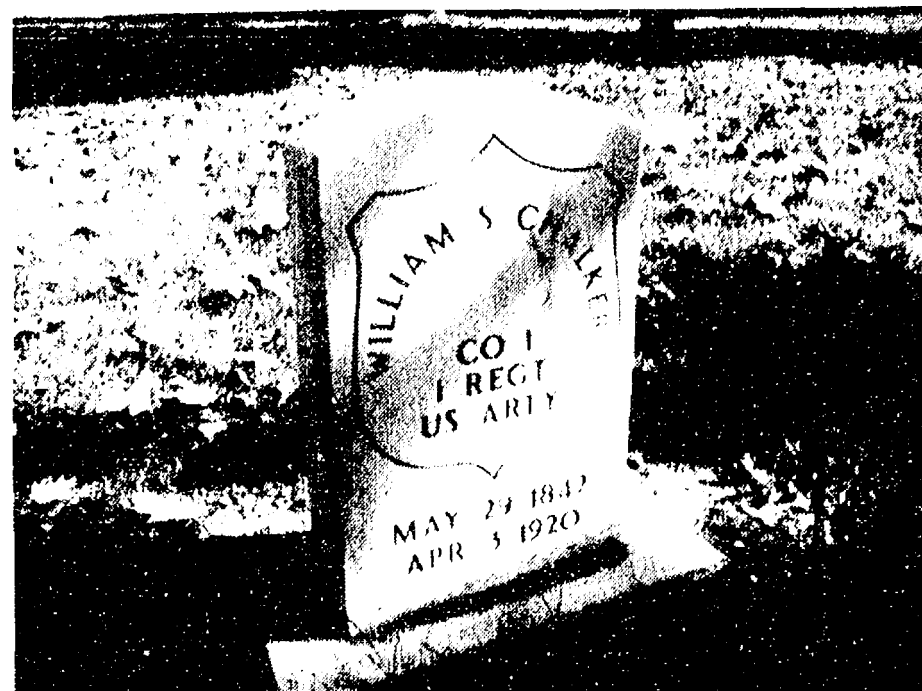
ALEXANDER C. WILCOX — Co. I, 5th MI Infantry



F.M. FORBES — Co. G, 145th PA Infantry



CARLOS B. JOHNSON — unknown



WILLIAM S. CHALKER — Co. I, 1st Rgmt. Art.



ADELBERT TAYLOR — Co. B, 22nd NY Cavalry

Holocaust 1945 !

After 50 years, soldier speaks of World War II Holocaust

The following story is a true and graphic depiction of the horrors of a Nazi concentration camp of World War II. Parents need to decide if it is appropriate for young children to read.

By Terry Wright and Robert Hartwig

At the outbreak of World War II, Bob Hartwig was a young school teacher in Flint. When he and thousands of other men enlisted in the service to fight the Germans and Japanese, he had no idea he would be one of the first American servicemen to discover and report to the world the horrors of the Nazi death camps.

Through the years, Hartwig seldom mentioned his experiences in Germany, but today with some extremist groups denying that the Holocaust ever happened, Hartwig has promoted his story so the truth can be known.

His hope for today, on the Memorial Day holiday of the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II, is that everyone know the truth so that history will never repeat itself. He wants those who died at the hands of Nazi murderers, whether American soldiers, or innocent European civilians, to never be forgotten.

As a photographer with the 12th Armored Division, Hartwig's unit first landed on the European continent at LeHavre, France, in 1944. He saw much fighting as the division forced its way through Rouen and on to liberate the big city of Strasbourg. Then the unit headed east into southern Germany.

The following story, written in Hartwig's own words, was one of the first stories to be released to the outside world documenting the atrocities of the Nazi death camps. Hartwig dictated the story to another American on April 27, 1945, even though, after seeing the Landsburg Concentration Camp that day, he could hardly talk from being physically sick. Hartwig took most of the accompanying photographs himself.

"Last night we moved into a town—a very new town, in the sense that the Krauts had just run out of it. That is, most of them. Even though it was late, we roamed around a little, catching all the late rumors. During our wandering, we came across an American first sergeant and a British officer who had been released that day from a German prison camp. They told us of some of the atrocities practiced by the Germans, on some of their prisoners. We took their stories, as one might say, with a grain of salt, and didn't fully believe all they had to say. They told us of slowly being starved, having to eat snails, dandelions, weeds, and occasionally some very thin potato soup.

Later in the evening, at a meeting, our captain told us of a slave labor camp near us where it was believed some 200 people had been burned that morning. That seemed impossible to us, as did the other stories.

Next morning, I had a chance to ride to this scene, to actually view the results of mass barbarianism,

poisoned and others were killed by an injection of oxygen into their bloodstream, so we were told. We do know that some of them were at least 30 hours in the process of dying. Even when we were there, an occasional groan could be heard from someone dying in that mass—or a movement of an arm or leg could be seen. The expressions on their faces were indescribable. The positions they were in, some half sitting, others up on one arm or in a twisted, grotesque shape.

For now, let us identify the place as the 'Landsburg Concentration Camp Area.' In the short time we were there, we drove by several separate camp sites, each occupying

issued for eight men for each day.

The standard uniform for this camp was a grey and black vertically striped pajama-like suit. This of thin cotton flannel. There was no underclothing. We counted about one blanket for each 10 men. A doctor visited the camp every two days—not for treatment, but to send back to work any who might be able to work, even a little.

Much of our information was gathered from two living inmates who had escaped a few days before into the woods. They had guessed, from the actions of the guards, that the Americans were coming. One of these fellows was a Russian and the other Jewish. They told us that



THE CAMP COOK--The prisoner in the striped clothing was a Polish Jew from Lodz, Poland, who was fortunate to work in the kitchen of the Landsburg Concentration Camp.

possibly 100 acres, one of which we explored rather thoroughly.

This was known as the 'Krankenlager,' meaning in English, the 'Sick Camp.' This is where the biggest burnings took place. Many buildings were left standing; some of which we went through. The odor was nauseating. The floor of each building was of dirt and dug about three feet below the surface of the ground. It had a roughly constructed roof, and that was covered with dirt. There was no provision of drainage and the slightest rain would leave water on the floor. Each building was about 50-feet long by 15-feet wide and held a shelf about 2-feet high and 5-feet wide along each wall. A small pad of straw was the bedding, if any, for the prisoners sleeping on the shelf. They slept with their feet toward the middle of the aisle, either partly doubled up or their feet hung over the end. There was usually one stove in each building, and without fuel. I'm sure there wasn't as much fuel in the whole camp as I've seen behind the average farmhouse in Germany. There was one small window in each end.

The Germans claim that the condition of the prisoners was due to typhus. We knew that this was not true. Their ill health was due to malnutrition, misuse, and overwork. The kitchen was a filthy, half-open building and contained large cooking pots used to prepare soup and liquid foods. There was nothing in that building that could have been used to prepare solid foods of any kind. Their food ration consisted of potato soup made to proportion of about one pound of potatoes to one gallon of water. To make matters worse, the cooks ate a considerable amount of the potatoes instead of using them in the soup. One 1-pound loaf of bread was usually



REMEMBERING THE PAST--Bob Hartwig, in his KP Lake home, looking through photo albums of his experiences in World War II. At his feet is his best friend Maggie.

approximately 400 in walking condition were marched away the day before the Americans came. About 4,000 had been put in the camp originally. We saw the records kept in the camp. Many of the prisoners were called political prisoners. About three-fourths of them were Jewish and the rest a mixture of other races. The Jewish fellow had watched his wife and children be put in the gas chamber at a nearby camp (probably Dachau I learned later). He had been used on the same work detail that had

cleaned those bodies of his family out of the chamber when dead. He explained to us the common method of death before the chamber was erected there. A pit about nine by 30 feet was filled with burning coals, and live humans were poured into it from railroad dump cars. The ashes were then used for fertilizer.

I've said above that the first pile of dead contained about 500 bodies. Some burnt, many given injections, and many more beaten to death. Others were chopped with an axe. Continued on page 3B



SURVIVORS OF LANDSBURG--Young Bernard Marx (R) and his father spent four years in the Landsburg Concentration Camp but escaped shortly before the Americans came. Today, Bernard Marx is an electronics and environmental engineer in Sacramento, CA. He still keeps in touch with Bob Hartwig.

By 1945, American troops were pushing toward Berlin from the west, while the Russian Army was progressing toward the same target from the east.

"We knew the war was getting better," Hartwig said. "Things were going fast. Most of the Germans we encountered didn't know if they were still fighting, or were prisoners, so they didn't know whether to shoot at us or not. As long as they didn't shoot, we didn't either."

When the 12th was ordered to the Brenner Pass, on the Austrian and Italian border, to stop the German armies retreating from Italy, the unit moved through Germany, toward Landsburg.

and to take some pictures. Our party consisted of Captain Jones, Cpl. Tannehill, the driver, Pfc. Singer, the interpreter and myself. After driving about eight miles, we became conscious of the sickening odor of burning human bodies. About a mile to our right were some smoking ruins. We drove past both American and German signs warning of Typhus.

As we rode towards the buildings, the sight that met our eyes seemed unbelievable. There were rows upon rows of dead—dead who had died horrible deaths. We learned that the majority of them had been given injections. Injections of what, we could not be sure. Some were



A HORRIBLE SCENE--This was a common scene all through the Landsburg Concentration Camp when it was liberated by the American forces in April 1945.

Soldier remembers Nazi Holocaust

Continued from page 2B

Many of these were freshly dead, with the bodies still warm and soft. The skin was often wrapped tightly around the bones. The largest average diameter their thighs were was less than five inches. The hands were like claws. The skin was worn through to the meat on those who couldn't walk, only could crawl. Many, many carried open wounds—old wounds for there was no nutrition to repair the tissues. Arms and legs were broken—hanging—rotting.

The GIs went to town that morning—town of Landsburg. They collected about 200 Nazi citizens and marched them out to the camp. They were real nice Germans. The wealthy ones—and let me say I don't believe anyone has wealth here unless he is a Nazi. Out at the camp they were divided into two groups. One group was put to digging mass graves. Each grave was about 30 by 15 feet and there were rows of them. GIs were in charge—the digging didn't stop, nor was there any hesitation on the part of the diggers. Rifle butts and bayonets were the law.

Here, let me speak of the released Russian I earlier mentioned. He was perhaps the busiest person in the whole place. His working tool was similar to a ball bat. He just wandered back and forth among the civilians picking out the slackers. I guess, you might say, we backed him up.

Other groups of civilians were paired off and marched to outer areas, some places more than a mile



DISPOSING OF BODIES--German civilians from the village of Landsburg carry the dead to pits for burial. In this method, thousands of bodies were taken to their final rest.

axe was still there.

As we drove from the camp, we saw more horrible sights. Some other prisoners had escaped. Either the injections had not taken effect on them or in the rush they had been skipped. Some were laying dead a mile or two away. Some were still walking a bit—walking death. They could barely move their legs—stooped almost double. One particular fellow, I'm never going to forget. I haven't seen a better soldier. With the most painful effort

Heidenheim, where he was assigned to help operate recreational facilities for the remaining troops.

"We were happy [on V-E Day], but all we could think of were the guys who had died," Hartwig said.

While there, he had the opportunity to hitch-hike to Maastricht, Holland, to visit a pen pal he had been corresponding with since the age of 14. When he arrived, he found that five of her brothers had been lured to Germany before the war, to work in the war factories that were then in the

never happened—well, the hell it didn't."

In 1978, he retired from teaching and became a full-time resident of KP Lake, in Crawford County.

Today, at 80, Hartwig is actively involved with collecting old engines and antiques. He is an accomplished wood carver and owns and operates his own sawmill.



HARTWIG SUPERVISES--Tech. Sgt. Robert Hartwig, supervises the burial of bodies at the Landsburg Concentration Camp on April 27, 1945, less than one month before the Germans surrendered.

away, to pick up dead. Two carried one dead. I remember particularly one fellow who claimed inability to carry such a heavy load. He was allowed to carry separate arms, legs and heads found strewn about. We walked to the railroad to find the worst. Here, some 60 had been put to work, digging their own graves with spoons and dishes. For some reason the detail was interrupted. Most of them were violently murdered—chopped to pieces. The

he turned toward us, brought himself to attention and saluted. The effort to do that was more, far more than he could spare."

Within a month of the discovery of the Landsburg Concentration Camp by Hartwig's unit, the Germans signed an unconditional surrender ending the war in Europe.

By that time, Hartwig was in

process of building an armed country. None of the five returned.

Hartwig said, "I always wondered if any of the dead young men at Landsburg were her brothers."

Hartwig returned to the United States, and left the army in 1946. He went back to teaching in Flint, but said he never talked much about Landsburg to his students.

"I never felt I had to say much about it until recently," Hartwig said. "Now there are skinheads that say it

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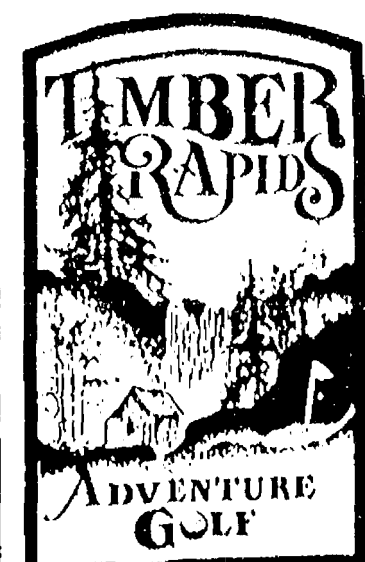
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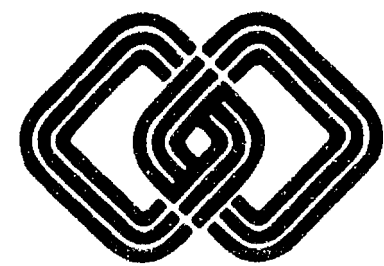
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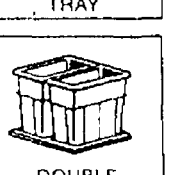
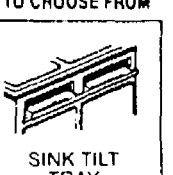


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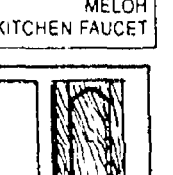
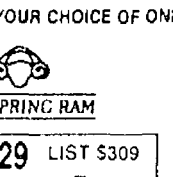
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Pictured above are (L to R) Betty Lozon, past madam president; Mary Kay Hinkle, assistant Librarian and Marcia Rozycki, president admiring one of the new large print books.

DISTRICT COURT

Joseph Anthony Olszewski, 20, of Grayling, pled guilty to a charge of Disorderly Person City Ordinance #4,

and was fined \$160 or 14 days. He was cited Jan. 14, 1995.

Randall Watson, 33, of Warren, pled guilty to a charge of Grayling City Ordinance #4 Disorderly Person, and was fined \$205 or 30 days, plus placed on six months probation. He was cited June 14, 1994.

Elijah Jonas Gonazalas, 18, of Flint, pled guilty to a charge of Retail Fraud 2nd Degree, and was fined \$190 or 14 days. He was cited April 22, 1995, by the City Police Dept.

Kevin Perry, 18, of Grayling, pled guilty to a charge of Retail Fraud 2nd Degree, and was fined \$190 or 14 days. He was cited March 21, 1995, by the City Police Dept.

Gregory Arnold Bennett, 39, of Grayling, pled guilty to a charge of Driving Revoked, and was sentenced to 30 days in jail. He was cited April 28, 1995, by the Sheriff Dept.

Gary Allen Hatley, 35, of Taylor, pled guilty to a charge of Driving While License Suspended, and was fined \$305 or 30 days. He was cited Oct. 3, 1993, by the City Police Dept.

John Joseph Whittaker, 40, of Grayling, pled guilty to Driving While License Suspended and Impaired Driving, and was fined \$540 or 60 days, placed on six months probation, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited March 12, 1995, by the Sheriff Dept.

James Richard Green, 20, of Grayling, pled guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving, and was fined \$540 or 60 days, placed on six months probation, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited March 11, 1995, by the Sheriff Dept.

Marc Lynn Bindschattel, 35, of Grayling, pled guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving 3rd, and was fined \$640 or 60 days, placed on 12 months probation, plus his license was revoked. He was cited Feb. 16, 1995, by the Sheriff Dept.

Michael Joseph Nagy, 41, of

Frederic, pled guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving, and was fined \$540 or 60 days, placed on 6 months probation, plus his license was suspended 90 days. He was cited Jan. 21, 1995, by the Sheriff Dept.

Cynthia Marie Shearer, 35, of Grayling, pled guilty to a charge of OUIL, and was fined \$640 or 60 days, placed on six months probation, plus her license was revoked one year. She was cited Jan. 29, 1995, by the Sheriff Dept.

Scott Robert Osman, 33, of Grand Ledge, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of No Account Check. A \$100 cash or surety bond was set.

Wayne Elven Slaugh, 23, of Frederic, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of Three NSF Checks Within 10 Days. A \$400 cash or surety bond was set.

Peter Wade Modica, 46, of Grayling, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of Maintain a Drug House. A \$10,000 personal bond was set.

Mark Aaron Massey, 24, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of Prisoner Possessing Contraband. No bond was set as he is a state prisoner.

Barton Allen Wakeley, 36, of Grayling, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of OUIL 3rd. A \$25 cash or surety bond was set.

Jonathan Lee Dimuzio, 17, of Mt. Clemens, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Conspiracy to Commit Breaking and Entering Unoccupied. A \$15,000 personal bond was set.

Brandon Kirk Mankowski, 19, of Harrison Township, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Breaking and Entering Unoccupied and Attempted Breaking and Entering Unoccupied. A \$35,000 personal bond was set.

46TH CIRCUIT COURT

Appearing before The Honorable Alton T. Davis, May 15:

Robert J. Weigel, age 29 of Grayling, was arraigned on Count I: Fraud-Common Law, which carries a maximum penalty of 10 years or \$5,000 and Count II: False Police Report, which carries a maximum penalty of 90 days and/or \$100. Weigel pled guilty to Count I. In exchange for his plea Count II will be dismissed at the time of sentencing. Bond was set at \$10,000, 10 percent.

Jonathan Sleeper, age 36 of Grayling, was sentenced on the charge of Desertion/Abandonment/Non-Support. Sleeper was placed on four years probation and sentenced to nine months in the county jail with credit for 86 days served. The jail sentence will be held in abeyance on a day-to-day basis as long as he is current on his child support payments (arrearages and current).

Anissa Ann Young, age 27 of Frederic, was sentenced on the charge of Escape From Jail Through Violence. Young was placed on three years probation and sentenced to six months in the county jail with three days credit. Her jail sentence will be held in abeyance on a day-to-day basis. She shall pay \$40 to the Crime Victim's Fund, \$360 court costs, restitution to be determined. She shall abstain from the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances and not enter bars or premises that serve alcohol for consumption of the premises. She shall follow through with substance abuse and mental health counseling as directed by her probation agent.

David Wayne Tolbert, age 20 of Grayling, was sentenced to 40-60 months in the Michigan Department of Corrections for violating his probation; on the original charges of Unlawfully Driving Away A Motor Vehicle and Carrying A Concealed Weapon. Both sentences are to run concurrent, with credit for time served. Restitution was ordered in the amount of \$1,541.19.

Benjamin James Bigelow, pled not guilty on an Order To Show Cause. Bond was set at \$5,000 cash.

Little League \$100 raffle winner named

Kimberly Curtis won the Grayling Little League \$100 raffle on Friday, May 19. This fundraiser is a way for Grayling Little League to raise money to support local, youth-oriented baseball and softball activities.

There are six more weekly drawings, held on Fridays at 6 p.m., at the Millikin Baseball Field. Persons interested in selling Little League \$100 raffle tickets are encouraged to contact Dianne Tobin at 348-5361. If interested in supporting Little League by purchasing tickets, stop by the Avalanche and ask for Dianne or Sharon.

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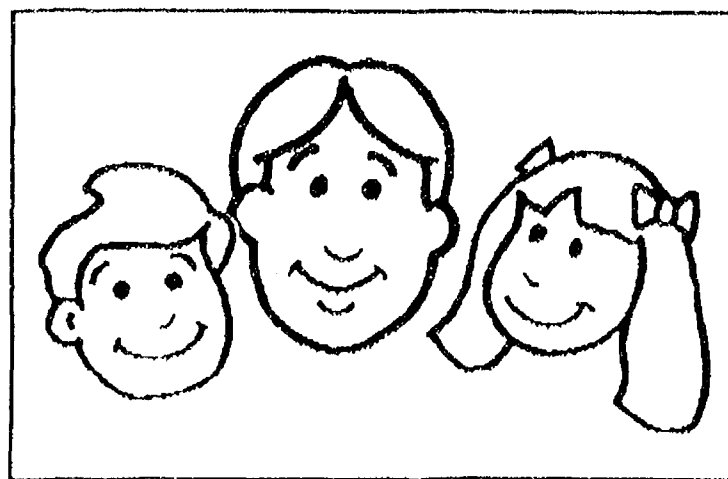
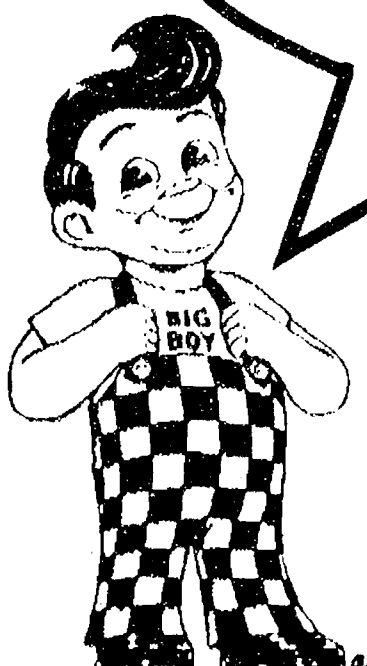
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Summer resident named to 'Who's Who'



JULIETTE NIEDERER

Part-time Grayling resident Juliette Niederer has been named to the list of "Who's Who" of American high school students.

She is the daughter of Fred and

Anita Niederer of Augusta, ME, and the granddaughter of Fritz and Mae Niederer of Grayling and has spent many months of her non-school time in Grayling visiting her grandparents

and other relatives. She is currently staying with Michael and Lynnette (Niederer) Corlew.

Niederer was named to the prestigious list for her achievements while a student at Cony High School in Augusta where she achieved high academic honors and enough credits to graduate after her junior year. She was a member of her high school French Club and was an accomplished athlete in both track and weight lifting.

She has spent many, many hours of community service in tutoring other students in most subjects.

"It was nice to get recognized," Niederer said.

She was nominated for the national honor by some of her teachers who she felt closer to than other students her own age.

Niederer is also a talented painter, illustrator, poet and songwriter, and used her skills to benefit others. While in school she organized school art shows and researched and developed a special school program to market school art work.

Although her future plans have yet to be decided, she said she is interested in cosmetology, teaching and opening an art gallery with her father.

She will be returning to Maine in the near future.

'Oklahoma City Challenge' underway

A senseless act! The bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, OK, left over 150 dead, hundreds injured and left an entire nation confused.

The community of Grayling, as well as the nation, has proven in the past few years, how we can pull together to help our own. Through various donations, benefits and special activities, the goal of the "Oklahoma City Challenge" is to raise money locally to help the victims of this disaster.

Money raised from this effort will be sent directly to the Oklahoma City mayor's office to go into the Mayor's Disaster Relief Fund. Monies that go into this fund will be earmarked for the medical and funeral expenses, nursery care expenses, and a memorial monument to be placed on the site of the disaster.

The Oklahoma City Challenge will coordinate the efforts of local individuals, businesses and organizations to raise money for this cause. A special bank account has been arranged through Grayling State Bank to mail donations directly to the fund. Mailed donations to this fund should be made out to Oklahoma City Challenge and mailed to Oklahoma City Challenge, P.O. Box 489, Grayling, MI 49738.

Cans bearing the "Oklahoma City Challenge" logo will be placed at various businesses for donations of spare change. Other ideas to raise money for this worthy cause include:

- Invite business contributions from the community. These may either be donations collected from their employees, or from special promotions held by the businesses.

- Invite local clubs and organizations to produce their own fundraiser. These may include bake sales, raffles, dinners, or whatever else the imagination can produce.

To culminate the communities' efforts toward this cause, a special Business After Hours will be held on Thursday, June 15, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. This function will be held at Chief Shoppenagon's Hotel, and will cost \$5 per person at the door, with hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar available. This reception will allow all businesses and organizations a chance to turn over their contributions to the fund.

After accounting for all contributions, the Oklahoma City Challenge committee will contact the Oklahoma City mayor's office, and inform them of the cashiers check that will be sent to the Mayor's Disaster Relief Fund from the communities of Crawford County.

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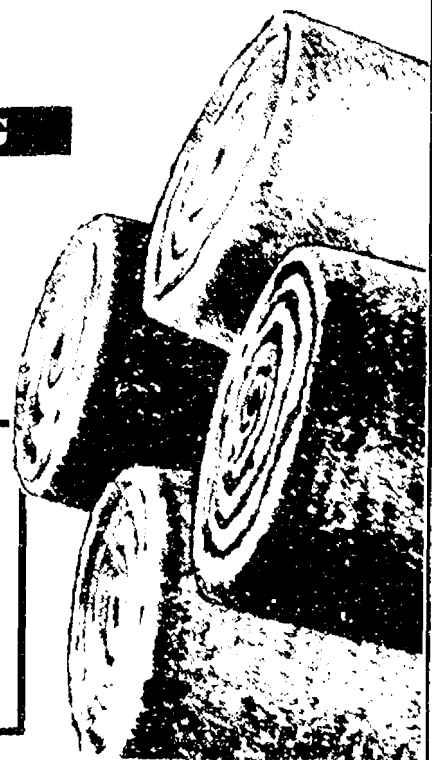
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New elementary school, football field project right on schedule

By Linda Denton
Staff Writer

Just two short months after the passage of the millage for a new Grayling Elementary School, work is underway and plans have been set in motion. Some things are already being noticed by the public, such as the excavation at the high school where the new football field will be located. Other things won't occur until at least a year from now. A tentative schedule has been established but is subject to change. Plans haven't been finalized and the guidelines presented in this article aren't final either.

The project was broken down into six main items: high school athletic fields, district-wide technology network, new elementary, Grayling elementary, Frederic Elementary and the middle school physical education field.

High School Athletic Fields

The first priority, out of necessity, became the high school athletic fields. The old football field is located where the new elementary school is to be built. Construction on the new elementary school will start in September 1995 and would interfere with football games on the current field.

"Even if they don't dig on the actual playing field, you have all of that equipment there and you can't secure it," said Kent Reynolds, superintendent. Reynolds said if the grass is planted in the new field by June then the Vikings will play on the new field this fall.

That doesn't mean there will be lights or bleachers yet, said Reynolds. Games may have to be scheduled during the day. The athletic fields won't be completely done until December of '95, according to the tentative schedule.

There will be a hillside, or berm on the home side in which the bleachers will be built. The grade is gentle and bleachers will be wheelchair accessible from top or bottom. The very bottom row of the bleachers will be about four feet above the track, allowing everyone in the bleachers a clear view of the action on the field.

Side-line walkers will have to change their habits at the new football field. Fencing prevents observers from walking completely around the track and from blocking the view from the bleachers.

Since work began, trees and stumps have been removed, the grade has been cut and the berm has been compacted. Soon fencing will go up around the field and grass seed will be planted.

When finished, there will be seating for about 2,000 fans. The only entrance to the new athletic field will be on the south end of the high school parking lot. Fans will enter through a double gate with ticket booths on either side, allowing lines to be much shorter. As they enter, fans will immediately pass the bathrooms and concession stand. Rival fans can continue to their right where they will be seated in the current field's home bleachers. Viking fans will go to their left where they can continue up the grade to the top of the bleachers or turn right to sit near the bottom of the bleachers.

There will be two fences around the athletic field. The outermost fence will surround the entire complex, with the only public entrance being through the double gate by the ticket booths. The second fence will be around the outside of the track and this is the fence that will force side-line walkers to change their football watching habits. On the north side of the athletic fields by Old 27 there will be an entrance/exit for ambulances. This will allow ambulances to have easy access to Old 27 and keep them away from the congestion of the public parking area.

Current plans are to have the football teams use the locker rooms located within the high school gymnasium across the parking lot from the athletic fields.

Tentative schedules plan on paving the high school parking lot during the summer of 1996. This would include eliminating the circle drive at the southeast end of the parking lot and making that area additional parking. Plans are also to extend the parking lot north to Old 27. Currently there is a grassy area between the parking lot and Old 27.

New Elementary

There is work being done on the new early elementary school, but it isn't something that the public can see happening. Teachers, paraprofessionals and support staff filled out questionnaires to find out what they would like to have in the new elementary. From this the designers have developed the first draft, or "wish list" of what is going to be done in the new elementary school. Now reality and the budget will be applied to the wish list, said Reynolds.

Some of the things talked about in the first draft are the amount of storage needed in the classrooms and elsewhere; the type of lighting; whether teachers prefer chalk boards or marker boards; if classrooms should be tiled, carpeted or both; whether to use analog or digital clocks; where to store children's coats, lunches and other items; and the desired building atmosphere.

phere.

The new elementary school will be done in three phases. Phase one will include site work, footings and foundations, and door frames. Phase two will include bearing walls and building enclosure, including the roof. Phase three will include the balance of the construction. The project for the elementary school should be completely finished in December of 1996. The building will open up for classes in time for the fall of 1996 as long as the roof is on the building by December 1995, said Reynolds. The work to be completed after the start of school won't interfere with classes.

The public can expect to see some work being done on the new elementary school in September 1995.

Frederic Elementary

Work is planned at Frederic Elementary as early as July 1995. This would most likely be either paving of the parking lot or windows being put in, possibly both. Once again it is cautioned that the dates given are tentative and subject to change.

Grayling Elementary

There won't be any construction work done at Grayling Elementary until February of 1996. Design planning will begin in July 1995. Most of the items that will be done at Grayling Elementary can't be achieved until the new building is up or money could be wasted.

You can't put a new roof on yet, said Reynolds, because it may need to be partially torn up when the new building is attached. Inside work can't be done until the crowding problem is relieved and kindergarten through second grade students are in the new building, he said.

The two buildings will be independent, said Reynolds. Both buildings will have their own principal, secretary, cafeteria, library and gym. Some things, however, just don't make sense to duplicate, he said. These would include space for the occupational therapist, the speech therapist, kitchen and the gifted and talented program.

District-wide Technology Network

This will cover updating technology for the middle school, high school, transportation, and all of the elementary schools. This is also broken down into two phases. Phase one will be completed in August 1995. This will involve installing adequate wiring for computers; and putting in the rest of the computer network at the middle school in time to offer the August - September summer school program.

Middle School physical education field

The lack of room for physical education is the concern at the middle school. In the past physical education classes were bused to Grayling Elementary to use the athletic field there, but starting next school year that area will no longer be there. Right now, physical education classes are walking from the middle school to city park. The school is looking into the possibility of buying an adjacent block, tearing down the structures and creating just a flat grassy area in order to provide students with a place to use for sports.

Property owners in three directions are being approached and asked to consider selling their homes. The physical education area will not extend to Peninsular Avenue because the school board has no desire to tear down the historical homes located there. The first row of houses along Michigan Avenue are also not being considered. The school board didn't want to put a play field right on Michigan Avenue for safety reasons, as well as preserving the home town feel of the Michigan Avenue drive, said Reynolds.

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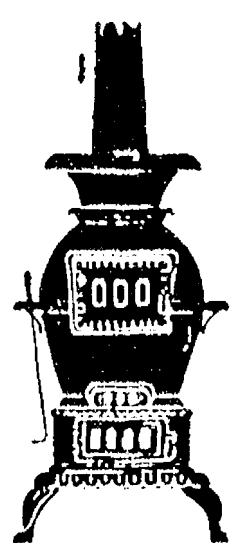


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Former resident earns top honors at CA high school



WILLIAM DIEDRICH JR.

Former Grayling resident Bill Diedrich Jr., was recently awarded the Kevin Brill Memorial Scholarship Award at Palm Springs High School, in Palm Springs, CA.

Diedrich is the son of former Crawford AuSable School District (CASD) Superintendent Dr. William Diedrich and the late Maxine Diedrich. Dr. Diedrich was the superintendent at CASD from 1978 through 1982, before moving into a similar position in Palm Springs.

Brill was a 16-year-old sophomore at Palm Springs when he died in a boating accident May 28, 1994.

A scholarship fund in his memory was established to honor a college-

bound senior who maintained a grade-point average of 3.8 or higher, received at least two varsity sports letters and exemplified the qualities of leadership, motivation and inspiration that Brill possessed.

Diedrich has a grade-point average of 4.55, was on the football team and was unanimously praised by his peers, counselors and teachers as a student possessing those leadership and motivational qualities of a Brill Scholarship student. The scholarship is in the amount of \$4,000.

Diedrich also received the award for having the highest academic achievement overall in his class.



TOOTSIE ROLL PAYDAY — Members of the Grayling Knights of Columbus presented funds raised during their annual "Tootsie Roll" drive to Area-4 Special Olympics and ROOC Adult Education programs. Pictured above (L to R) are K of C's Grand Knight Joe Pencak handing a check to Larry Mier of ROOC for \$1,646. Next is George Matyn, K of C financial secretary, handing a check for \$500 to Special Olympic representatives Mike Eva and Sue Williams.

Avalanche announces early deadlines for Memorial Day

The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Monday, May 29, for Memorial Day, and reopen at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, May 30.

The deadline for full page, half page, or color display ads, for the June 1st issue, must be turned in by noon on Thursday, May 25.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is 5 p.m., Thursday, May 25.

Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by noon on Friday, May 26, to be considered for the next issue.

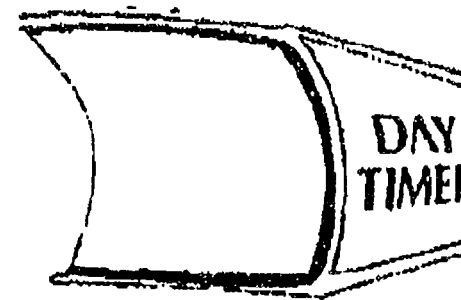
Community news items and classified display ads also must be turned in by noon, Friday, May 26.

Editor's Quote Book

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AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY UPDATE

Among women — lung cancer deaths on rise

Lung cancer is no longer just a man's concern. According to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 60,000 women died from lung cancer in 1994 — making it the leading cause of cancer deaths among both men and women.

The increase in lung cancer deaths among women is attributed primarily to an increase in the number of women who have begun smoking during the past 30 years. Cigarette smoking continues to be the leading cause of lung cancer, causing more than 90 percent of all lung cancer cases.

"Women need to realize that now more than ever, lung cancer is a real concern for them," said renowned lung cancer expert Mark O'Rourke, M.D. of Greenville, SC. "Smoking cessation should be a woman's number-one focus for not only reducing the chance of developing lung cancer, but also for improving one's overall health."

According to a recent study released by the National Cancer Institute (NCI), death rates for most cancers are declining — due primarily to improved and earlier detection. Unfortunately, death rates for lung cancer continue to increase significantly — rising from

approximately 5,000 deaths in 1960, to more than 50,000 each year since 1990, especially for women over the age of 35. Data from the NCI study indicates that many women over the age of 35 began smoking at ages 18 and 19 and are now developing and dying of lung cancer.



Fortunately, new treatment options are available or under investigation to treat individuals suffering from lung cancer. One recently approved treatment option is Navelbine® (vinorelbine tartrate), the first new drug in 20 years to be approved for marketing by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for first-line treatment of ambulatory patients with unresectable, advanced non-small cell

lung cancer.

Non-small cell lung cancer, the most common type of lung cancer, is not easily detected and often is diagnosed at advanced stages when the disease has already spread to other parts of the body. Typical symptoms of lung cancer — persistent coughing, chest pain, headaches and shortness of breath — often go unnoticed or may be mistaken for other common ailments such as bronchitis.

Once the disease has spread, lung cancer can be agonizing and many times surgery is no longer an option. That is why, according to Dr. O'Rourke, treatment therapies that provide a better quality of life for patients is so important.

"We now have treatment options available that not only provide survival benefits, but are well-tolerated and allow patients to live comfortably and participate in the daily activities they enjoy," said Dr. O'Rourke.

For more information on lung cancer, or for information on how to stop smoking, contact the Crawford County chapter of the American Cancer Society, at 348-8038.

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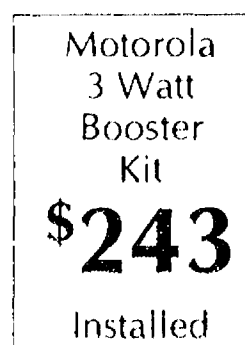
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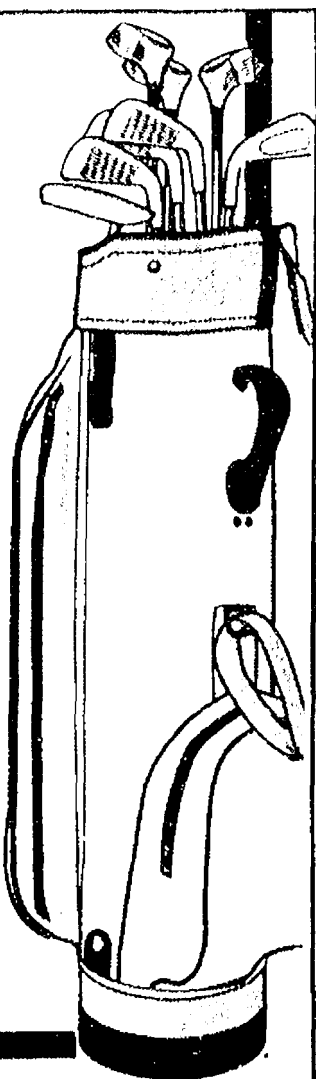
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Memorial Day

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Many of our forefathers died establishing a country of religious freedom dedicated to God's glory. They fought and died in a revolutionary war to defend their God-given unalienable rights of life, liberty, and property. They fought and died in a bloody civil war to assure all races the equality already granted them under the constitution. They fought and died in two world wars to defend our freedoms against the threats of fascist dictatorships. They fought and died for half a century to stop the atheistic tyranny of international communism. We fully honor as America's finest military heroes all soldiers who fought

and/or died for their country in all just wars including Vietnam.

Today we face an internal danger greater than many realize. Remember Waco? We quoted conservative columnist Walter Williams: "The Waco raid appears to be part of an official agenda to eliminate religious 'cults' and as such is part of a more generalized attack on religion in our country." Any senseless slaughter of innocent women and children makes all of us sick. May Waco and Oklahoma City remain etched upon our hearts and minds as horrible reminders of what evil and injustice war could bring to the very heart of our own nation. War must be the last action justified by a rational mind.

We are nearing a danger point where citizens will stop allowing government to devour their wealth, to dictate their worship, to dominate their property, to deceive their children, to diminish their national sovereignty, to damage their economic future, to dilute their culture (by forced toleration of immoral values and actions), and then to deny them the security of their

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HOMETOWN NEWS

Betty Jane Wargo, owner of Milltown Manor on Chestnut Street, Grayling, spent three days over the last weekend with her mother, Ida Wargo of Brighton. For Mother's Day, their families took their mother out to dinner at the country club in New Hudson, where a good time was had by all.

Lions Lucky 13 winner named

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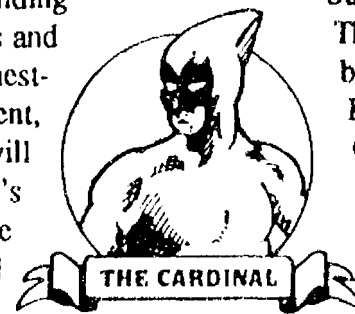
The comic, *Cardinal Adventures*, celebrates its fifth year of publication this summer by expanding from eight to 16 pages and featuring a special guest-star, Christian super-agent, Captain Al Scabbard, will join forces with the strip's title character, the Cardinal, in this special issue.

Scabbard is the creation of Christian psychologist and author, Dr. Larry Crabb. Dr. Crabb is the author of such books as *Inside Out*, *Finding God*, and *God of My Father*, and director of the Institute of Biblical

Counseling in Morrison, CO. He has been a guest several times on the radio program, *Focus on the Family*, with Dr. James Dobson.

Cardinal Adventures is an annual publication, drawn in a newspaper Sunday comics section form. The Cardinal strip is drawn by Gaylord artist, Kurt Kolka, a Grayling native. Copies of the latest edition are available at Mary's Corner Book Swap and The Truth Bible and Book store in Grayling, and Northend Grocery

in Frederic. This is Mount Hope's third year of sponsorship and the congregation has been a major contributor to the comic each year.



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There is another way that we can honor these great men and women, however, that is in upholding the principles that they gave "the last full measure" to defend. Study the Constitution - here we find the principles upon which this nation was founded. Then make every effort to live by these principles.

This Memorial Day pay tribute to the brave men and women who have died for America and continue through the year to honor them by upholding those values that they died to protect.

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Starr Hatfield

Starr E. Hatfield, 73, of Jones, died Monday, May 15, 1995 at Pawating Hospital in Niles. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 18, at 2 p.m., at Calvary Baptist Church, with Dr. Robert Barnett officiating. Burial was in Beaver Creek Cemetery in Crawford County. Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel.

Mr. Hatfield was born Nov. 28, 1921, in Vanderbilt. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, and had been a resident of Beaver Creek for 38 years, before moving to Jones two years ago.

Mr. Hatfield was preceded in death by his parents, Orval E. and Vina (Abbott) Hatfield, and brother, Clifford Hatfield.

Survivors include: Sisters, Gloria and husband Oliver Anglemeyer of Jones, and Violet and husband Jim Seabert of Dade, FL; brothers, Russell and wife Lana Hatfield of Owosso, Forrest and wife Bev Hatfield of Leslie, MO, Sonny Hatfield of Jones, and Ernest and wife Vera Hatfield of Beaver Creek Township.

In memory of

Dear Betty,
It is lonely here without you. I miss you. I love you.

George



Doris Bigham

Doris J. Bigham, 69, of Frederic, died Sunday, May 21, 1995, at her residence. A memorial service will be held Wednesday, May 24, at 7 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Reverend Douglas Patterson officiating.

Mrs. Bigham was born April 19, 1926, in Pontiac. She had been a resident of Frederic for 68 years, and was employed in the stamping department at AuSable Souvenir Works for 40 years, before retiring. She married her husband, John J. Bigham April 19, 1942, in Grayling.

Mrs. Bigham was preceded in death by her parents, Percy and Kitty Mae (Horton) Harmer, and brother, Eugene Harmer.

Survivors include: Husband, John J. Bigham of Frederic; daughter, Linda and husband Steve Jorgenson of Grayling; granddaughter, Robyn and husband Carl Ohsowski of Grayling; great-grandson, Stephan Ohsowski of Grayling; and brother, Douglas Harmer of Frederic.

The family suggest memorials to either Hospice with Loving Care, Roscommon, the American Cancer Society, or the Frederic Fire Department.

Card of thanks

Thanks to Dr. Steffes and Dr. Murphy, who took care of our mother, Vivian Koch, and especially to Nancy Smith. To Douglas Patterson, who gave us faith and comfort, and to Derek McEvers and his staff who made it easier for us. To the American Legion and Auxiliary, who put on the luncheon for the family and friends. Also to Glen's Market and friends who brought food to the house. We can't tell you how much we appreciated it.

The Vivian Koch family

Irene Kehr

Irene F. Kehr, 95, of Grayling, died Monday, May 22, 1995. Funeral services will be held Thursday, May 25, at 1 p.m., at the Reitz Herzberg Funeral Home on Midland Road in Saginaw. Burial will be in Buena Vista Cemetery.

Mrs. Kehr was born Dec. 27, 1899, in Reese, to Stephen and Isabelle (Slater) Townes. She married Frederick Kehr in 1917. Mrs. Kehr moved to Grayling, after her husband's death in 1982, and became a resident of Timberview Village.

Mrs. Kehr was preceded in death by her husband, Frederick Kehr, and a daughter, Marjorie Zissler.

Survivors include: sons, Ray and wife Violet Kehr of Grayling, Louis and wife Grace Kehr, and Frederick and wife Betty Kehr, both of Saginaw; daughter, Lucille Temple of Saginaw; brother, Howard Townes of Grand Rapids; 19 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; and 28 great-great-grandchildren.

Card of thanks

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Your loving family

Merle Hartman

Merle W. Hartman, 73, of Bonita Springs, FL, and Bear Lake, died Wednesday, May 17, 1995, at St. Luke's Hospital, Maumee, OH. Funeral service, prayer service and Eulogy was held Friday, May 19, at 7 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Reverend Douglas Patterson officiating, and Mr. James Tobin giving the Eulogy.

Mr. Hartman was born July 3, 1921, in Davison. He married the former Opal D. Hough on Jan. 24, 1942, in Flint. He was a sales representative for Chevrolet for 23 years, and then owned and operated Hartman's Fly Shop in Lovells, from 1967 to 1978.

He and his wife, Opal, lived in Bear Lake full-time from 1978 to 1984. Since 1984, they have spent winters in Florida and summers in Bear Lake.

Mr. Hartman served with the Army Air Corps during WWII, in the Pacific Theater from 1942 until 1945.

Mr. Hartman was preceded in death by his parents, Estle and Sylvia (McGinnis) Hartman, and a brother, Lester Hartman.

Survivors include: Wife, Opal D. (Hough) Hartman; sons, Mark and wife Marilyn Hartman of Grayling, and Vern and wife Cheryl Hartman of Midland; sister, Velma Griggs of Oscoda; and grandchildren, Paul, Scott, Dorian and Sean Hartman.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

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By Charles Tinsley, Cadillac Social Security Representative

Social Security trustees see 35 years of benefits

The Social Security Trustees announced recently that the Old Age and Survivors Insurance and Disability Insurance (OASDI) Trust Funds, which support benefit payments to more than 43 million Americans, are in good financial condition and will remain so well into the next century.

The 1995 report concludes that even with no change in current law the combined OASDI trust fund will be able to continue paying benefits for the next 35 years. According to the Trustees, the assets of the combined OASDI Trust Funds are estimated to be depleted under present law in 2030 — one year later than estimated in last year's report.

Commenting on the release of the report, Social Security Commissioner Shirley S. Chater, stated, "This report reinforces the message that we must address the long-range issues facing Social Security, but we are not on the eve of the crisis. There is time to act cautiously and wisely in a bipartisan manner to enact reforms in the coming years that will ensure the long-term financial viability of the Social Security program."

Because the OASDI program is not in "actuarial balance" over the next 75 years, the trustees believe that the long-range solvency of the OASDI program

should be addressed. Accordingly, they recommended last year that the 1995 Advisory Council on Social Security conduct an extensive review of the Social Security financing issues and develop recommendations for restoring the long-range actuarial balance of the program. The council will submit its report later this year.

"I look forward to receiving the Advisory Council's report and recommendations later this year," Commissioner Chater stated. "We must then move forward in a bipartisan way to discuss and debate the various proposals that will strengthen Social Security's long-term solvency. And, we must engage and involve the American public in this discussion to hear from the people what changes they would be willing to accept and support in their Social Security programs."

The board of trustees is required by law to report annually to Congress on the current and estimated future financial condition of the trust funds. The report uses annually updated economic and demographic assumptions, reflecting the nation's recent experience and available research.

Based on their intermediate assumptions, the trustees also reported

the following:

Income to Social Security's OASDI Trust Funds in calendar year 1995 will total about \$405 billion, and outgo will total about \$340 billion.

The trust fund reserves, which stood at \$436 billion by the end of calendar year 1994, will, therefore grow to approximately \$502 billion by the end of calendar year 1995.

The trust fund reserves are invested, by law, in government securities. In calendar year 1994, the reserves earned \$31.1 billion in interest at an effective annual rate of 8.0 percent.

About 141 million workers in 1995 will be covered by the Social Security program and more than 43 million individuals will receive benefit payments each month.

The board of trustees is composed of six members, four of whom serve automatically by virtue of their positions in the federal government; Treasury Secretary Robert E. Rubin, Labor Secretary Robert B. Reich, HHS Secretary Donna E. Shalala, and Social Security Commissioner Shirley S. Chater. The other two members, Stanford G. Ross and David M. Walker, appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate, serve 4-year terms representing the public.

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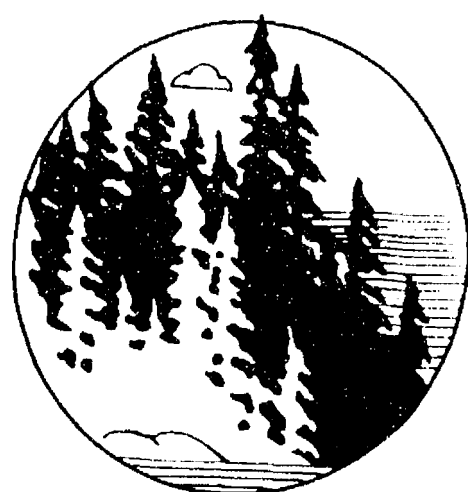
ZACH'S CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY--William and JoAn Zach of 2121 Danish Landing Road, Grayling, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on May 31. The couple were married at St. Mary's Church in Michigan City, IN. The couple's three children will host an open house in their honor on Sunday, June 4, at St. Bernard's Church in Crawfordville, IN. Bill and JoAn have four grandchildren and a great-grandson. The Zachs have enjoyed the Grayling area for the past five years since their retirement from their family business.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED--Mr. and Mrs. Ken LaVigne of Grayling are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Renee, to Gary Scott Sheldon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sheldon of Grayling. A July 15 wedding is planned.

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Head Start is a free comprehensive child-development pre-school program for children, three to five years of age, who meet eligibility requirements. The goal is to increase social and educational skills.

When applying, parents or guardians should bring a copy of child's birth certificate, proof of income, the child's immunization record, parent's or guardian's Social Security numbers and Medicaid card (if applicable).

For more information on enrollment, call (517) 348-7639.

Home buyers seminar to be held

Grayling State Bank "GSB," Century 21, River Country Real Estate, Cornell Realty, Inc., and RE/MAX of Grayling, will offer a home buying seminar for the public on Thursday, June 1, at the Grayling Holiday Inn. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and free babysitting service available. The seminar will last from approximately 7 to 9 p.m.

Representatives will provide education about purchasing a home, to include guest speakers covering topics pertaining to seller's disclosure requirements, purchase agreements,

financing options including the GSB H.O.M.E. program (Homeowners Mortgage Evaluation), the appraisal process, title insurance, home buyer inspections and what to expect at your closing.

This seminar is designed for anyone interested in learning more about all aspects of the home buying process. All seminar participants will be given the opportunity to meet with a real estate agent and discuss their dream of owning a home. For more information, contact the GSB mortgage department or any real estate office listed above.

Card of thanks

A Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Marathon Golf Outing thank you.

Special thanks to Scheer Motors for their generous sponsorship. Thanks to Brian Conklin and Dave Jansen and their staff at the Grayling Country Club, for hosting this event. Thanks to committee members and the many volunteers. Most especially, thanks to the participants who hopefully had as much fun as we did.

Tink Henry, chairperson
"Moonlite on the Links"

Card of thanks

Thank you for the memorial cards and the phone calls. Also a special thanks to Sorenson Funeral Home. Also, a special thanks to Dr. Steffes, the nurses on 2-North, and Mercy Manor. Also the Crawford County Sheriff Department.

The family of
Schuyler Gibson

Vocalists sought to perform with Traverse Symphony

If your only venue to date has been the shower stall, yet your dreams include Carnegie Hall, then this is your opportunity to begin the climb to stardom. Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts is searching for area vocalists to sing the national anthem with the Traverse Symphony Orchestra to open their Americana Pops Concerts on June 30 and July 1. If having a 64-piece symphony orchestra behind you, and 2,500 screaming fans in front of you is not intimidating, then Maestro Robert Hanson would like to hear your voice.

Auditions will be by audio tape only. You are required to submit an unmarked audio cassette tape with your performance of *The Star-Spangled Banner* in either the key Bb or G. Accompaniment may be piano, band, tape or whatever is at your disposal. The recording should be made on the 'A' side of the cassette, with the remainder of the cassette remaining blank. Include your name, contact information and if you are available

June 30, July 1, or both, on a separate sheet of paper. Each tape will be assigned an identifying number, and a local panel will select 10 of the tapes for submission to Maestro Hanson.

Soloists, church groups, youth choirs, community choruses, duos, quartettes, and groups from schools and arts camps are encouraged to submit a tape. These evenings are a kick-off to America's birthday celebration. Local VFWs and scouts will be presenting the flag. Area vocalists will sing the national anthem. The concert will feature Rosini's *1812 Overture* with cannon fire and will be followed by a fireworks display.

Deadline for submission of materials is Friday, June 2. Winners will be announced the week of June 12. Address your entry: Attention Ron Koenig, Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, Kirtland Community College, 10775 N. St. Helen Rd., Roscommon, MI 48653. If you have any questions, contact Koenig at (517) 275-5121, extension 311.



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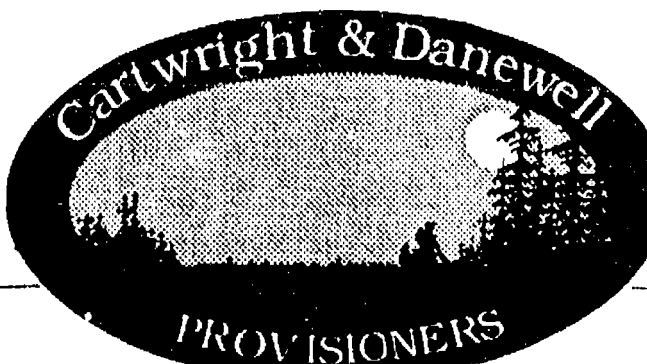
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DARE graduation honors students pledge

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

It isn't June 2 yet, but there was a very important graduation that occurred on Wednesday, May 17. The 1994-95 DARE class graduated at the Grayling Middle School. DARE (Drug Awareness Resistance Education) is a program taught to fifth graders by deputies from the Crawford County Sheriff Department. The middle school gym was full of students wearing black t-shirts with red lettering, which read "DARE: to keep kids off drugs."

Students who have completed the program have pledged to keep off drugs. Students are armed with different ways to resist. DARE gives students the opportunity to meet deputies one-on-one, which gives students someone they can turn to if they need help resisting drugs.

GMS Assistant Principal Curt Finch spoke to the graduates about his personal experience avoiding drugs, alcohol and cigarettes. Finch, 30, said he made a commitment when he was the graduates age to never smoke, drink or take drugs and he has kept that commitment. Finch cited three secrets that helped him keep his commitment. The first secret is to be



DARE TO KEEP KIDS OFF DRUGS -- DARE essay winners line up to read their essays to parents and friends in the audience. Each of the winners received a medal presented by DARE instructors, Smith and Parker. Pictured above (L to R) are Gina Thompson, Undersheriff Kirk Wakefield, Nick Herd, Sheriff David Lovely, Bobby VanNuck, Curt Finch, Shannon Johnston, David Clyde Holzbauer and Penny Rosin.

involved, Finch was active in athletic teams, student council and plays; the second secret was applying himself to his school work; and the final secret to staying drug free, according to Finch, is the friends you choose to be with. The role models provided by parents is also important said Finch.

Seven classes went through the DARE program this year. At the end

of the program, students entered an essay contest. Students were asked to write an essay of what they learned from the DARE program including how they feel, what they learned and why it's important to be drug free.

The best essay in each of the seven classes was chosen by the teacher and deputy Paul Smith. Winners received

a medal during the graduation ceremony and read their essays to the audience. The seven winners were Gina Thompson, Nick Herd, Bobby Van Nuck, Penny Rosin, Shannon Johnston, Amanda Paisley and Kelly Jansen.

The executive board members of the Grayling High School chapter of S.T.A.N.D. were also present and Erica Hinkle and Sarah Amman addressed the graduates.

Graduates faced their parents and friends as they sang the DARE song after certificates were passed out.

At the end of the ceremony, deputy Jimmy Parker told the graduates, "It's your choice, ultimately, what's going to happen to you, it's your choice."

Students plant trees, learn forestry with Weyerhaeuser

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

In 40 years the trees planted by Mrs. Fagerlie and Mrs. Pahssens fifth grade classes on Wednesday, May 17 will be full grown. Weyerhaeuser foresters Paul Call and Mike Castle guided the students on a tour of a forest that is being managed by Weyerhaeuser. Later students planted trees along South Oak Road, just north of Fletcher Road in Beaver Creek Township.

This was the third year that Weyerhaeuser has taken fifth graders on the field trip. The day started on 80 acres that Weyerhaeuser manages for the landowner. A short walk in the woods allowed students to test their knowledge about the types of trees growing in the forest around them. The foresters made recommendations about how to manage the property based on what the landowner's desire to increase the amount of wildlife in the area, especially deer.

Castle explained to the students that deer like to eat young green plants and acorns. In order to attract more deer, the trees are being thinned out to allow more sunlight on the forest floor. Maple and Aspen trees are being cut out of the area but Oak and White Pine are left standing.

Weyerhaeuser uses the aspen and maple to make their oriented strand board that is used in building houses and other items.

While listening to Castle explain about forestry management, fifth grader Jon Bancroft found an acorn that had broken open and started to

grow. Castle instructed Bancroft on how to plant the acorn just a few inches below the ground surface. Several students found similar acorns. Some students pocketed their acorns to take home to plant in their yards.

After the walk through the woods, the students watched, from a safe distance, logging equipment at work. Squeaking noises coming through the woods signaled the approach of a sawhead, or shear. Through the trees the students caught sight of the orange

machine that looked a lot like a dinosaur. The machine grabbed a tree and after freeing branches from neighboring trees, cut the tree down. Students were told that the sawhead can cut 60 cords of wood a day, which is about 1,000 trees.

Students were paired off and given 25 trees and a planting bar. The trees, about 10 to 12 inches in height, had been raised in a nursery for two years.



PLANTING TREES -- Jason LaForge, Chris Robbins and Jon Bancroft work together to plant 25 trees.

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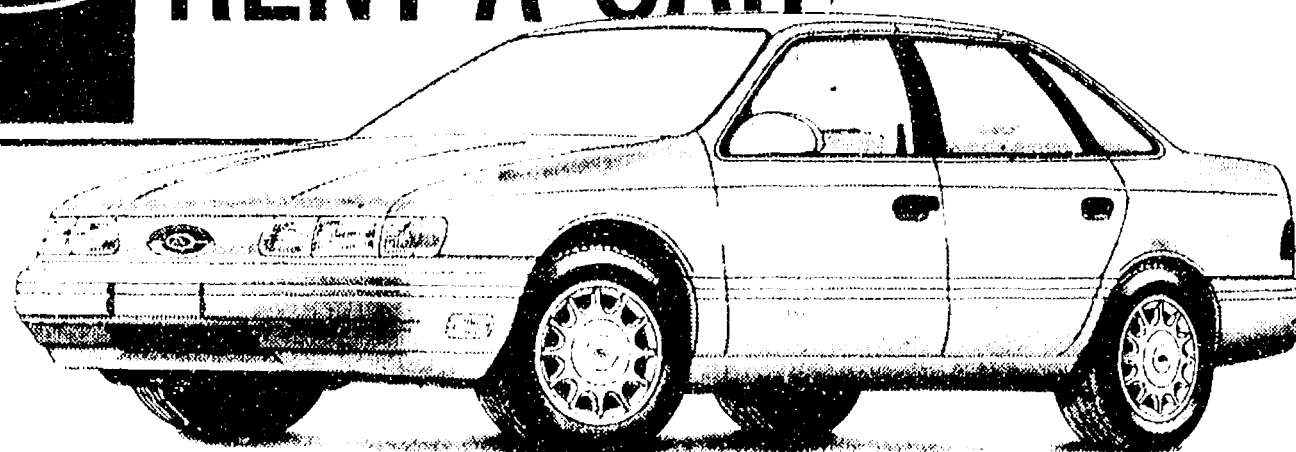
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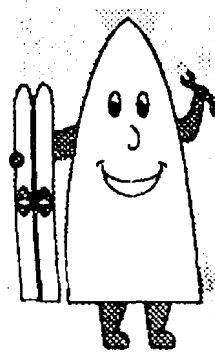
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NEWS SCHOOL

GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL



FREDERIC SCHOOL GETS NEW COMPUTER — Brad Scheer (far left), of Scheer Motors, presented Frederic Elementary School with a computer for the library. Next to Brad Scheer is (L to R) Librarian, Wendy Kucharek, Nicole Persing, Jenny Brunell and Billy Reynolds.

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THE MOST DESERVING STUDENTS OF THE MONTH — at Frederic Elementary School have been named. Pictured above are the students chosen as most deserving. In the back row (L to R) is Chris Wakeley, Danielle Beckwith, Adam Kaiser and Monica Safin. In the second row (L to R) is Lisa Adkinson, Brek Denewett, Skylynn Palmer and Jessie Mooneyham. In the front row is (L to R) Pat DeVine and David Gilliland.

"And, of course, I had to pass the Old Craig Place. You remember the eerie Old Craig Place, don't you, mom?"

"Yes, I don't like to go near that place, it gives me the creeps."

"Well, down at one end of the old board fence, a part of it was smashed down and the ground was all torn up. There was something else, too. There was a strong, stinky smell. What do you think could of happened, mom?"

"I don't know, Mike, but there has been a lot of talk of people seeing lights there, at night."

"I haven't heard of anything about the fence yet."

"Gollie, mom, maybe it is haunted or something."

"Oh, I don't think that's the case here."

"But, I don't understand all the junk laying on the ground by the fence. Ghost, mom, just plain ghost. I am going to tell the rest of the kids."

"Alright, Mike, but now it is time for dinner. Go put your school things away and wash up for your meal."

"O.K., mom, but I still think it is very strange."

That night, there was a thunderstorm. The lightning flashed all over Mike's bedroom window. He looked out, and saw the light from the corner street. Light shining through the big tree in the front yard looked like something spooky with long claw-like fingers.

Steam rose from the cool ground as the warm rain fell. This made the view even more scary. Mike ran over to his bed and covered himself quickly, even his head.

What could possibly get you in bed with your head covered? At ten years old, you can still be scared, he thought.

When morning arrived, the sun was shining brightly. Mike felt happy that the sun was shining, and that nothing had gotten him during the past night.

So off to school he went. Only one day left because it was Friday. Mike was looking forward to a fun weekend. Maybe even take another walk down Vine Street. He would ask his friend, Billy Scotfield, to go with him.

His day was uneventful, nothing much happened. When Mike got home, he ran into the house yelling, "Mom, mom, guess what? Billy Scotfield's dad told him that about ten years ago they found an old man dead in the Craig Place!"

"Yes, Mike, I know." The old man must have been living there, he didn't have anywhere else to go, I guess. That would account for the strange lights at night that people have been seeing. There is something else, Mike. About the fence, one of the town garbage trucks was backing up to pick garbage, and accidentally ran into the fence, and into the yard over there. They spilled a lot of garbage, so that must have been the smell that was so strange. And something else, Mike, I was talking to some of the ladies down at the store. They say that the town officials might have the old place torn down."

"Boy, I'd like to be there. Maybe they will find treasure or money hidden in the wall or the basement. What do you think?"

...Or is that another story?

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Forecast For: May 28 - June 3, 1995

- ARIES
March 21-April 19
It is not necessary to tell everything you know. A little discretion is advised, particularly with relatives.
- TAURUS
April 20-May 20
Charitable organizations could use a boost from your resources. Make it a point to donate your time and talents.
- GEMINI
May 21-June 20
Don't leave unfinished tasks hanging in the balance. Get them over with before starting new ones.
- CANCER
June 21-July 22
Seek help from one who can advise you well. Long distance call may ease your worries.
- LEO
July 23-Aug 22
Property matters may not be easily settled. A little give and take should be expected on behalf of both parties.
- VIRGO
Aug 23-Sept 22
You may be asked or elected to head a committee. Be sure you are willing to dedicate yourself to the task before committing to anything.
- LIBRA
Sept 23-Oct 22
Take a wait and see approach with VIPs. They are in no hurry to make a decision, so be patient.
- SCORPIO
Oct 23-Nov 21
Money may be tight and borrowing should be out of the question. Look for extra funds in unexpected places.
- SAGITTARIUS
Nov 22-Dec 21
Your personality tends to keep people at a distance. Be more receptive to the feelings of others.
- CAPRICORN
Dec 22-Jan 19
If it seems you are beating a dead horse, then stop. Get away from the action and look at it objectively.
- AQUARIUS
Jan 20-Feb 18
Now is not the best time for starting a new romance. There is already one that you need to put behind you.
- PISCES
Feb 19-March 20
Delegate responsibilities at home. Don't be the scape goat or gopher; you have a life, too.



MAGGIE WANTS A HOME--Maggie is a 2-year-old, spayed female sheltie mix. She is housebroken and good with children. If you would like to give her a home, or any of the other animals at the shelter, stop by the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, or give them a call at 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

If you leave your washer or dryer lid open, check inside for your cat before you use the machine. Cats will crawl in because the appliance is warm, or just out of curiosity.

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

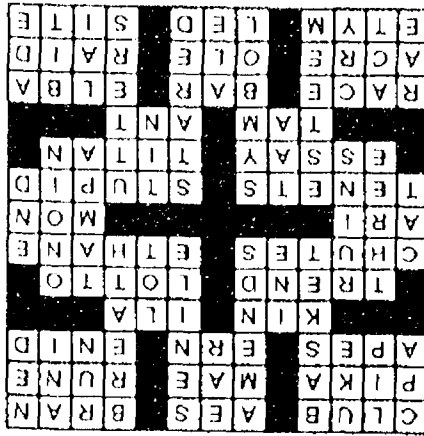
THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE
ANSWERS

ACROSS

1. Organization
5. Roman coin
8. Legendary British king
12. Rabbit-like rodent
13. ___ Murray
14. Norse letter
15. Anthropoids
16. Sea eagle
17. Arthurian lady
18. Relative
20. Labor union
22. Drift
24. Game like bingo
27. Troughs
28. Gaseous hydrocarbon
30. Biblical lion
31. Monday, abbr.
32. Doctrines
36. Dumb
39. Try
40. Enormous
41. Head covering
42. Insect
43. Contest
46. The law
48. Napoleon's isle
52. Land measure

53. Bullfight cry
54. Foray
55. Word root
56. Commanded
57. Location
DOWN
1. Cert. Pub. Accountant
2. Mouth part
3. Small musical instrument
4. Hamper
5. Atonement
6. Listen
7. Doting
8. Respiration
9. Hurry
10. Blackbird
11. ___ Sparks
19. Chemical suffix

21. Large amount
22. Trio
23. Destroys
25. Florida city
26. Root vegetable
27. Feline
29. Finish
33. High regard
34. Chinese pagoda
35. Token
36. Looked intently
37. Metal
38. Speaks
43. Scot. explorer
44. Perform
45. Weep
47. Eng. beer
49. Medieval tale
50. Morsel
51. Soft drink



A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 years ago
May 25, 1972

Forest fires hit the Grayling area last Saturday and Monday, and Tuesday of this week, and with the burning index at a peak, officials of the DNR have urged extreme caution by everyone in the use of fire of any type.

The fires occurred on the Mason Lodge property, burning about 40 acres; Headquarters Road and the Rayburn property area, burning approximately 200 acres; and the Jones Lake Truck Trail area, burning about three acres.

The new president of the Grayling Area Centennial Committee is Allan Barkley. Barkley is materials manager at Bear Archery, and he and his wife, Nora Lee, operate the Little Smokey Railroad at Bear Mountain.

The Rev. Paul C. Frederic, vice-president of the Grayling Centennial, is pastor of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. He is married to Dona Jean (Jody), and the father of four children.

Jerry W. Morford, 32, of Rogers City, chief planner with the Northeast Michigan Economic Development District at Rogers City, was named city manager of Grayling last week.

The Grayling Viking track team won the conference championship for the 1972 track season. Members of the team are Dan Moore, Doug AuMiller, Wayne Westervelt, Kevin Zimmerman, Bill Munson, Tom Vajda, Jim Kehr, Mark Kesteloot, Brian Bicsak, Gary Beatty, Rick Miller, Lorne Beatty, Ernie Balch, John Schultz, Tom Johnson, Dave Lovely, Mike Sidebottom, Dee Mead, Dale and Cliff Bonamie and Jim Tobin. Manager was Marty Haskins, and coaches were Mike Weiland and Don Ferguson.

Jim and Louie Madill, Gene, Bert and Tom Kaiser attended the Detroit Baseball game in Detroit on Sunday.

A grand opening celebration will be held May 25, 26, 27 and 28, at the HI-LO Furniture Store at 320 Huron St., 1 1/2 blocks east of I-75 Business Loop on M-72.

On May 17, majorette tryouts were held in the high school gym. Judges were Mr. Spencer, Mr. Lerg, Mrs. Longworth and Mrs. Westervelt.

Other than the two senior girls, Tricia Denewitt and Kathy Bourque, the girls chosen rank in this order: Deb Brown, first, Diane Latuszek, second, Lynn Dandy, third, Dawn Rowe, fourth, and Sonia Evans, fifth.

Staff Sergeant Keith Bobenmoyer was home to visit his parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Don Bobenmoyer this past weekend. He is now stationed at McGuire Air Force Base, NJ, after arriving home March 30 from a year's tour in Vietnam.

John Cook, golf professional and manager of the Grayling Country Club, announced this week a new food service at the club.

Starting Monday of this week, Jim Bourne, owner of the Grayling Restaurant, will be supplying ham, roast beef, egg and tuna fish salad for sandwiches daily.

The new club facilities this year also features a complete golfers pro shop.

Major League action began this week with games Monday thru Friday at the Grayling Little League Field.

Many fans showed good support of the Little League baseball, and better accommodations for the seating will be had when the bleachers will be installed shortly after graduation.

46 years ago
May 26, 1949

The City of Grayling advertised this week for bids on a blacktopping program on the three downtown blocks of Michigan Avenue. The blacktop resurfacing will run from curb to curb, City Manager Max Davenport said. The covering will be placed over the concrete middle section of the street and will strengthen and resurface the parking section of the street.

Ray Snider, Grayling canoe livery operator was unanimously re-elected as chairman of the Third Annual Michigan Canoe Championship Committee at a meeting held at the Walker Hotel in Mio Monday evening.

A Memorial Day parade will get underway at 10 a.m. Monday morning from in front of the Grayling Legion Hall and will proceed to the City Park on the AuSable River. The parade will then proceed up Cedar Street to the Cemetery.

New water supply and sewage disposal systems and construction of buildings in the regimental area of Camp Grayling is assured for the summer training program of the Michigan National Guard from Aug. 6 to 20, as contracts for the new construction has been let.

The Frederic Cemetery has been started. Light poles are up. We are to have an electric pump and water system through the cemetery, also will have a new top dressing and seeding down, which has been needed for years. Mrs. E. A. Corsaut, Mrs. A. D. Leng and

Mrs. Fred Crooks are the ladies on the committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Papendick and son, Kip, spent May 15 in Indian River, visiting Mr. Papendick's mother, Mrs. Louisa Papendick, and sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dyer. "Kip" was enjoying a 10-day leave from Great Lakes.

Mrs. Papendick with Mrs. Howard Nolan, Mrs. Hurl Deckrow, Mrs. Leo Lovely, and R. N. Jerry Golinick accompanied him as far as Bay City on his return trip. Miss Golinick had been visiting her parents, Sherril and Mrs. William Golinick and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rokos (Marion Skingley) announce the arrival of a son, George William, on May 17 at Traverse City.

Members of last year's independent basketball team and their wives enjoyed a potluck dinner Sunday at the cabin of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Cornell at Lake Margrethe.

Captain Leonard Knibbs has received his discharge from the Army and with Mrs. Knibbs and daughter, Linda Gale, arrived in Grayling on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mattison of Evanston, IL, announce the arrival of a son, James Owen, on May 19. Mrs. Mattison is the former Jean Owen, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Owens.

69 years ago
May 27, 1926

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Walt motored to Gaylord Monday.

Miss Helen Babbitt is taking a week's vacation from her duties at the Gift Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Cooley and grandson, Sam Gust, spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. Winer of Vanderbilt.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter E. Johnson, son, Emil, and David Flanders of Grand Rapids, were guests of the former's daughter, Mrs. George Sorenson, Friday evening, coming to attend the Odd Fellows meeting.

Mrs. S. E. Clark of Detroit, is at her summer home at Lake Margrethe for the season.

Invitations have been issued for the wedding reception on Saturday evening, June 12, of Miss Grace Albertine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Pauman, and Walter Henderson Woodson, Jr., of Salisbury, NC.

Don't miss seeing Mary Pickford in Little Anne Rooney at the Grayling

Opera House next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Ruby L. Stephan has been selected as valedictorian of her class, that of '26 of Grayling High School. The young lady is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Stephan who reside on the AuSable.

The new "Windemere Lodge" owned by Stanley Breaugh on Houghton Lake, was opened to the public last Sunday.

On invitation of the Gaylord K. P. fraternity some 14 members of the local lodge motored to the neighboring city last evening and witnessed an initiation.

Weather picture



Courtesy of the City of Grayling and the Crawford AuSable 2nd Graders

Date	High	Low	Rain or snow	Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: Wednesday calls for mostly cloudy skies, with the highs in the low to mid 60s, plus a 60% chance of rain. Thursday will be dry. The highs will be in the mid to upper 60s, with the lows in the 40s. Friday will also be dry, with the highs in the mid to upper 60s, and the lows in the low to mid 40s. Saturday calls for a chance of showers. The highs will be in the mid to upper 60s, with the lows in the 40s.
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5/22	54	43	0.02	
5/23	72	34		

LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS of Beaver Creek Township Minutes Regular Meeting May 8, 1995

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. with board members present: Schultes, McDonough, McGregor, Mobarak, Hartman. Five guests were present.

Minutes to the regular meeting of 4/10/95 had one correction. Special meetings of 4/12/95 and 4/21/95 accepted as presented.

Treasurer's report was read and received as read.

Special Speaker: Bob Morley representing Higgins Lake Property Owners Assoc. spoke regarding King Road proposed work.

Supervisors, Fire Department, Higgins Lake Advisory Board and Park report were given.

Seventeen (17) pieces of correspondence

were accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion of Nolan Road paving and prices will be given to residents from the spec sheets we received.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget hearing date set for June 12, 1995, at 6 p.m.

Wage review for elected officials.

Mobarak moves that we hire Walter Waite as our summer youth worker. Seconded and carried.

Mobarak motions to approve the proposed split of the Marvin J. & Betty Smith property being 50-32-013-020-03. Seconded and carried.

McGregor motions that we go ahead and make changes and correct grounding of circuits for connections to electrical problems with an estimate of four to six hours to do work. Seconded and carried.

McDonough moves that we pay the bills presented. Mobarak seconded. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale at Public Sale

Default has occurred in the conditions of a mortgage made by EDWIN D. HARRIS and CHERYL E. HARRIS, husband and wife, mortgagor, of 811 Elm Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738 to The United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, mortgagee, dated September 1, 1979, in Liber 180, Pages 517-520, and in a certain Assumption Agreement dated September 1st, 1979, made by EDWIN D. HARRIS and CHERYL E. HARRIS, as assuming parties, of a mortgage made by JAMES A. MAGEE and HOLLY A. MAGEE, husband and wife, as mortgagors and the United States of America acting through Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, dated September 26, 1977, in Liber 163, Pages 368-371. Because of said default the mortgagee has declared the entire unpaid amount secured by said mortgage due and payable forthwith.

As of the date of this notice, there is claimed to be due for principle, interest at a rate of nine and one quarter (9.25%) per annum and expenses on said mortgage the sum of \$32,912.63. No suit or proceeding in law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay said amount with interest, as provided in said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorneys' fees allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before sale, said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises at public sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the Crawford County Courthouse, located at 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738, on Tuesday, June 27th, 1995 at 10:00 a.m.

The premises covered by said mortgage are situated in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as follows:

Lots 7 and 8, Block 25, ROFFEE'S Addition, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The property is commonly known as: 811 Elm Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be THIRTY (30) days from the date of sale.

Dated: May 25, 1995

United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture

Law Offices of Roy M. Benaway
Attorneys for Mortgagee
By: Julie F. Delaney
502 East Main Street
P.O. Box 126
Gaylord, Michigan 49735

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SYNOPSIS of Beaver Creek Township Minutes Special Meetings of 4/12/95 & 4/21/95

Special meetings were held 4/12/95 at 7 p.m. and 4/21/95 at 10 p.m. and the purpose of both was to discuss the proposed solid waste amendment/agreement.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

Case No. 95-3517-DO(P)
MICHELE LYNN PASTERNOCK
Plaintiff,
v.
MARK ANTHONY PASTERNOCK
Defendant.
NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED SERVICE
At a session of said court held in the county building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on April 26, 1995, before the
HONORABLE WILLIAM A. PORTER
CIRCUIT JUDGE
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Plaintiff, MICHELE LYNN PASTERNOCK, has made a complaint against Defendant, MARK ANTHONY PASTERNOCK, to dissolve and terminate the marriage entered into by the parties in Keweenaw, Texas on March 20, 1989.

2. Defendant, MARK ANTHONY PASTERNOCK, must file an answer to the Complaint for Divorce or take other action permitted by law in the Crawford County Circuit Court located in Grayling, Michigan on or before June 29, 1995.

3. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

4. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in the Crawford County Avalanche for three (3) consecutive weeks.

Gary L. Gelow (P33031)
Attorney for Plaintiff
P.O. Box 4085
Gaylord, MI 49735
517/732-8030

-11-18-25



Fibromyalgia is the second most common arthritis-related disease next to osteoarthritis, according to the Arthritis Foundation. Yet studies show that the average time from onset of symptoms to actual diagnosis is five years.

People with fibromyalgia may experience deep muscular aching, throbbing, burning or stabbing, and a feeling of being completely drained of energy. Unlike inflammatory arthritis, which can be verified through blood tests, and degenerative arthritis, which can be confirmed by X-rays, fibromyalgia produces no obvious signs.

Fibromyalgia is not a catchall name for unexplained pain or fatigue. Specific symptoms are necessary to meet the diagnostic criteria for the condition. A person must have widespread pain in all four quadrants of the body that has lasted at least three months, and tenderness in at least 11 of 16 specified "tender points."

Fibromyalgia did not gain widespread recognition in the medical community until the early '80s, consequently, many practicing physicians never learned about it during their medical training.

Because many fibromyalgia symptoms may be similar to those of other illnesses, the Arthritis Foundation suggests that people seek treatment from a doctor who is knowledgeable in arthritis-related diseases. Your local Arthritis Foundation chapter can provide a physician referral listing.

For a free "Fibromyalgia" brochure, contact your local Arthritis Foundation chapter. For general information and a free "Basic Facts" brochure, call the Arthritis Foundation Information Line, 1-800-283-7800.

The Arthritis Foundation supports research to find ways to cure and prevent arthritis and seeks to improve the quality of life for those affected by arthritis.

NOTICE

The Crawford County Courthouse will be closing at 2:30 on Wednesday, May 24, 1995, due to a scheduled power outage. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. The courthouse will be open for business as usual on Thursday, May 25, 1995.

Sandra Moore
Chief Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE

The Crawford County Courthouse will be closed on Monday, May 29, 1995, due to Memorial Day. We will be open for business as usual on Tuesday, May 30, 1995.

Have a safe holiday weekend!

Elizabeth H. Wieland
County Clerk

NOTICE

TO RESIDENTS OF GRAYLING TOWNSHIP

The annual spring date for the disposal of used household appliances and furniture will be held at the **GRAYLING TRANSFER STATION** on North Down River Road, Saturday May 27, 1995, from 8 am to 1 pm.

NO COMMERCIAL APPLIANCES

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-4-11-95

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OWNERS

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 31, 1995, beginning at 7 pm, in the conference room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, (M-72 West), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following request:

CASE 95-1: Grayling Township Planning Commissioner, petitioner.

LOCATION: Properties lying within the R-1, R-2 and R-F residential zones of Grayling Township.

The Grayling Township Planning Commission is proposing to amend Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance 92-2 regarding accessory buildings in the following manner:

Page 2 Definitions:

BUILDING ACCESSORY: Accessory structure, a building, the occupancy of which is incidental to that of the main building, that is located on the same lot as the main building.

Page 34 Footnotes to Schedule.

SECTION 20.1 B. 1. a. (add) No accessory building shall be allowed on any unimproved lot (no dwelling).

SECTION 20.1 B. 2. (add) In no instance shall more than (2) two accessory buildings be located on one (1) acre or less.

SECTION 20.1 B. 2. a. (add) A lot size greater than one (1) acre but less than three (3) acres is allowed three (3) accessory buildings.

SECTION 20.1 B. 2. b. (add) A lot size greater than three (3) acres cannot have an accessory building larger than 1,600 square feet.

SECTION 20.1 B. 3. (revise) Any accessory building(s) may occupy not more than 25% of a required rear yard, plus 20% of any non-required rear yard provided that in no instance shall the ground floor area of the accessory building(s) exceed the living square footage area of the primary residence; except in the Recreational Forest (R-F) Zone, where the ground floor area of each accessory building(s) shall not exceed 200% of the living square footage area of the primary residence.

SECTION 20.1 B. 3. a. (add) Notwithstanding deed restrictions to the contrary.

SECTION 20.1 B. 4. Change from six (6) to fifteen (15) feet the distance between unattached accessory and main structures.

SECTION 20.1 B. 5. Change from fifteen (15) to sixteen (16) feet the maximum height of detached accessory buildings, except private garages.

Zoning Ordinance and case files are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours. Correspondence concerning the request may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

NOTICE

Crawford County Housing Rehabilitation and Community Development office located in the court house will be closed Friday, June 2, 1995.

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NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Crawford County Board of Commissioners has cancelled the regular board meeting that was scheduled in the county building for Tuesday, May 30, 1995.

Elizabeth H. Wieland
Crawford County Clerk

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NOTICE

TO RESIDENTS OF SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP

Special large item dump days (furniture and metals) will be held at the Pioneer Refuse Transfer Site:

Saturday, June 3rd and Saturday, Sept. 9, 1995

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Mary M. Mollon, Clerk
275-8232

NOTICE

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Sharon K. Hartman
Clerk

NOTICE

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners is accepting applications from persons interested in serving on the Crawford County Planning Commission.

All applicants must be residents of Crawford County and must submit a letter expressing their interest to the Board of Commissioners, care of the County Clerk, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738 by June 9, 1995.

ELIZABETH H. WIELAND
Crawford County Clerk
-25-1-8

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE STATE LAND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to the provisions of Section 131 of Act 206, P.A. 1893, as amended, state lands in Crawford County will be placed on the market by offering same for sale at public auction on June 21, 1995, at 10 am at the Holiday Inn-Houghton Lake, 9285 M-55, Houghton Lake, Michigan. BIDDER REGISTRATION at 9 am.

The right is reserved by the State of Michigan to reject any or all bids.

Lists of property to be offered are available at the County Treasurer's Office and Real Estate Division, Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 30448, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7948. Phone: (517) 373-1250.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
REAL ESTATE DIVISION

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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS USING TURNER TRAIL FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS

The Grayling Township Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 13, 1995, beginning at 8 pm, in the conference room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (M-72 West), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the necessity of creation of a five year Special Assessment District for maintenance of Turner Trail, a private road located in Section 12, T26N, R4W.

Property owners who are a part of the proposed Special Assessment District who feel they should be excused from this assessment because they receive no benefit should be present at the hearing or contact the Grayling Township Office, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738, prior to the hearing in order to protect any further rights they may have to appeal.

The Tentative Special Assessment Roll is available for inspection at the Grayling Township Office during regular business hours. Phone (517) 348-4361. Fax (517) 348-6713.

This project was initiated by a petition signed by a majority of the property owners along Turner Trail.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

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NEWS SCHOOL

13 graduate from swim classes



WATER BABIES — These students have learned great swimming skills. Pictured are (Back, l. to r.) Jason LaForge, Karen Wyman, Kathy Wyman, Mika Sumner, Danielle Outman, Jon Thomas, Alexis Sumner, Deanna Beardslee, Amy Anderson, Ellis Currison, and Chelsea Currison. Sitting in front are instructors Deputy David Vogel, James Gordon, Jessie Gordon, and Dean Smith, Holiday Inn manager.

Local kids are doing great things as part of the American Red Cross and 4-H swim program. Throughout the winter months from September until May, children in the area take on the task of learning how to swim. Some of those children aren't always willing to learn at first, but by the end of the year everyone is enjoying being in and around the water.

With summer approaching quickly and all of the lessons completed, these children will be safer in and around water.

A few of the children have gone even further in developing their swimming abilities. These 13 children also completed Water Safety (basic and emergency), Lifeguarding, Adult CPR and Boat and Marine Safety. The

swimming and water safety classes were taught by Jessie Gordon, the water safety director for Crawford County. The CPR courses were taught by James Gordon, and the boat and marine safety courses were taught by Crawford County Deputy David Vogel.

All classes were held at the Grayling Holiday Inn, which has been instrumental in helping the Red Cross and 4-H offer swimming lessons to children as young as six months.

The children who completed the extra courses are Jon Thomas, 15; Mathew Stremel, 17; Mika Sumner, 13; Alexis Sumner, 11; Kathy Wyman, 13; Karen Wyman, 13; Daniell Outman, 11; Jason LaForge, 11; Chelsea Currison, 5; Eli Currison, 9; and Summer Coe, 7.

94 students inducted into drug-free lifestyle program

By Sarah Amman
GHS Publications Class
Special to the Avalanche

Ninety-four students decided to make a good thing better by joining S.T.A.N.D. (Students Taking Action, Not Drugs) at the second annual induction ceremony on Wednesday, May 17, at Grayling Middle School.

The ceremony began with an appearance by special guest band ARC, with its music, drama and media presentation addressing substance abuse.

ARC is a Christian ministry group that travels throughout the United States performing its show on an average of two to three times daily. The members of the band, from different parts of the country, volunteer their time and have a year-long commitment to the band.

"I really enjoyed the show," said eighth grader Maryann Sirrine, inductee into S.T.A.N.D. "I think they got the message through because they used the universal language of music."

The inductees ranged from grades eight through 12. All students vowed to themselves, their family members

and peers that they would stay drug-free for one year. After their pledge to live a drug-free lifestyle, they were awarded with their S.T.A.N.D. membership cards, presented by Joel Raddatz, Grayling High School principal.

"I support S.T.A.N.D. 100 percent," said Raddatz. "It's good to recognize people who are going to make a difference. People need to know that there is hope."

"I'm very enthusiastic when I think about the number of kids wanting to join S.T.A.N.D.," said Clyde Holzbauer, local advisor of S.T.A.N.D. "There are a lot of kids wanting to live drug-free lifestyles."

"I wanted to join S.T.A.N.D.," said junior Adam Anderson, member of the executive council. "A drug-free life is the way to go and I want to try to rub off on the kids."

"S.T.A.N.D. is a fantastic organization and I am very impressed with it," said Cheri Blaine, parent of junior Mary Beth Blaine S.T.A.N.D. member.

After inducting 50 people last year, the number of members almost doubled to 94.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN LITTLE-KID BOOKS

Here is a list of elements in preschooler books that kids really like from Reading Is Fundamental, a national nonprofit organization based in Washington, DC:

- simple plots
- more action than description
- characters about the same age and sex as your child
- animals and funny creatures
- a wide variety of recognizable objects, such as trucks and trees.
- catchy lines or refrains
- books you can read in one sitting

GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL

(Mrs. Hinkle's fifth grade class recently wrote 'Tall Tales.' Following are a few examples of their work.)

Jonathan Boerger
Why Mountains Were Made

In the time of knights and dragons, the dragons ruled the land, and sea dragons ruled the sea. The knight council says they must be stopped. So led by the biggest, meanest knight called Muscles, they were off. Muscles was as big as an elephant, as strong as a rhino, and as mean as a crocodile. It seemed they would win easily, but in a couple of minutes a large amount of fire was shot, and sent the knights running. All the knights went home except the smallest knights. They had a plan. They would bury the dragons when they were sleeping. The first on the list were the sea dragons. They got a ship full of dirt. They sailed around dumping dirt on every sea dragon they saw. The Hawaiian, the East and West Indies, all of them. The next on the list was the Appalachians, then Rockies, then Coastal, then Alaskan, and then the Andies. They sailed to Africa and Europe. Soon they worked their way to Asia. The last on the list was Himalayans. Everest, the biggest

dragon, lived there. Soon they ran out of dirt. They covered him the rest of the way with snow. Some dragons shook, and made earthquakes. Some yawned, and made caves. Some spit fire, and some of the babies spit hot water. So that is how mountains were made.

The end!
Anna Fortino
Long Ago

Once upon a time there were dinosaurs. They were huge. Some were bigger than buildings. There were different colors and sizes. They all lived in Florida. All the water in Florida was saltwater. After drinking the saltwater for one hundred years, the dinosaurs began to get smaller and smaller every day. One day they got so small that they were no longer dinosaurs. They were lizards and geckos.

That is why the dinosaurs are extinct!
Nicole Alandt
Why Dogs Have Their Tails
Long, long ago in the dark forest of Lamberchoke there lived a dog and his owner. The dog's name was Jake. Jake was a big dog. He liked to hunt. Jake was very friendly. His owner,

Henery, was as nice as a butterfly. Henery was a tall man. Jake liked Henery, and Henery liked Jake. They both liked their house. Their house was a small, brick cottage.

One day Jake and Henery went hunting. When they left the cottage, Jake went in the opposite direction of Henery. On his way he ran into a porkupine. This porkupine wasn't any old porkupine. This porkupine was the baddest, meanest porkupine around. He was as big as Jake. When Jake saw the porkupine, he just walked on by. The porkupine started following him. Jake turned around, the porkupine turned the other way. When Jake turned back around the porkupine swatted Jake's backside. Jake started howling. Jake ran to find his owner. When Jake found Henery, Jake was bleeding. Henery grabbed Jake and ran home. When Henery and Jake got home, Henery put a bandage on Jake. Jake didn't like the bandage. He kept trying to pull it off. After about a week, Henery took the bandage off Jake. When he took the bandage off a tail popped out. That's how dogs got their tails.

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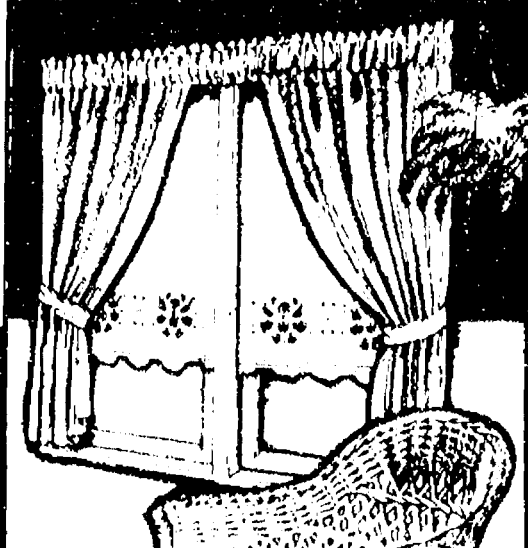
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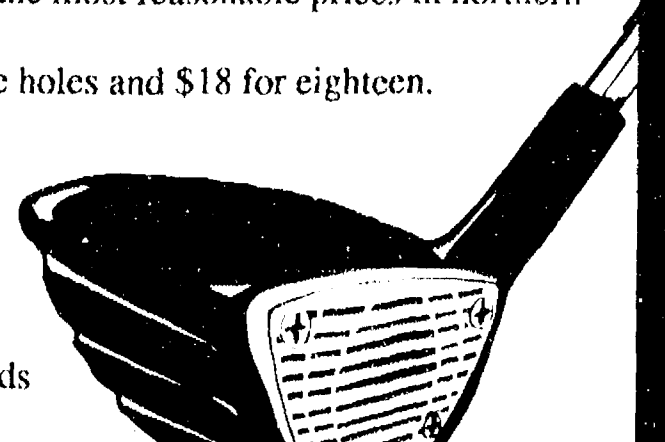
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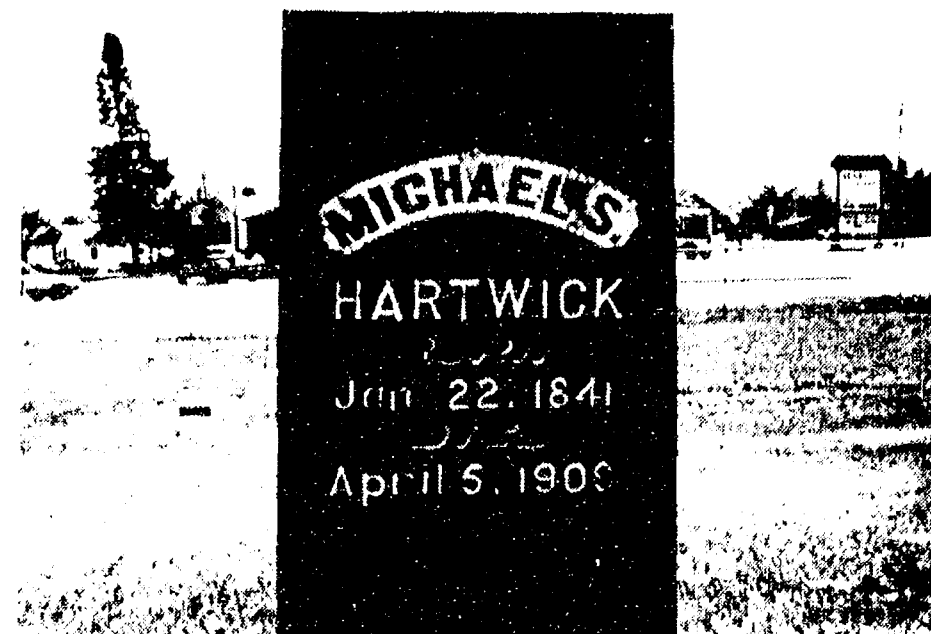
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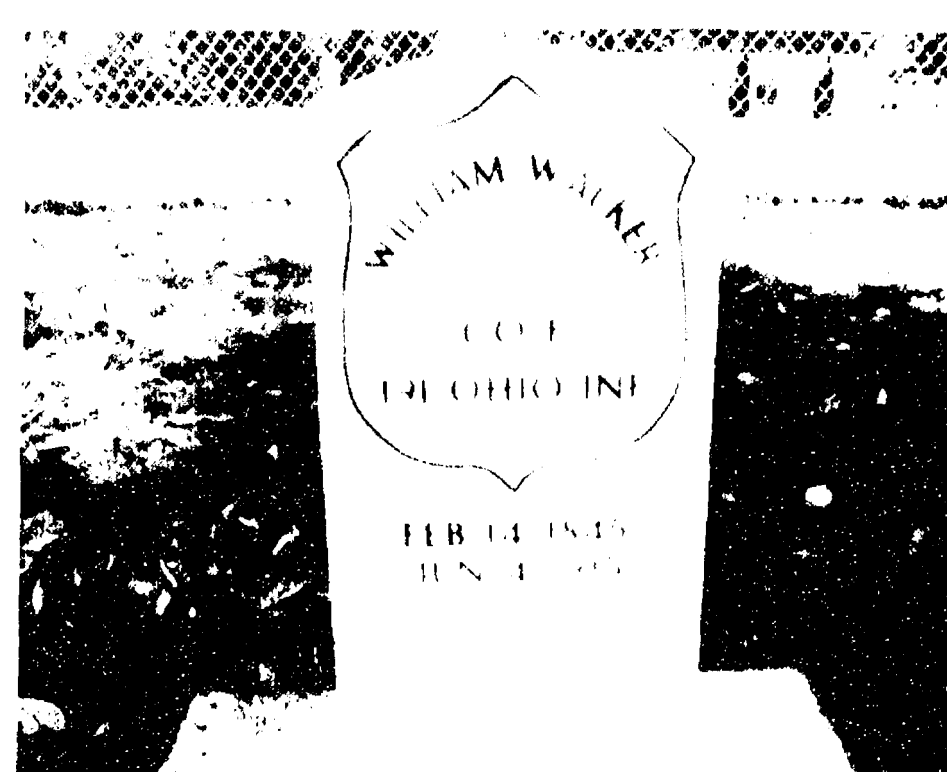
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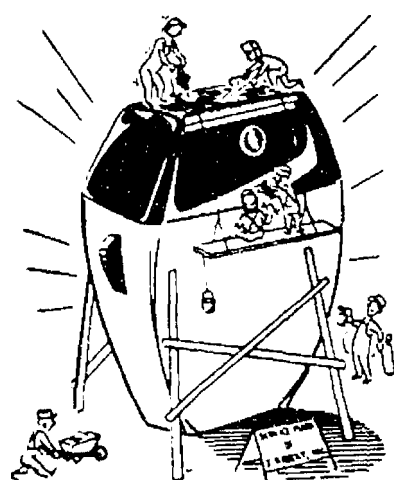


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Civil War Veterans

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The grave of Carlos Johnson had a personal stone, but he was not on the list that we had received of Civil War veterans. The list was compiled during the Civil War Centennial in 1965, and was obtained from the State Archives in Lansing. It will be updated when the information is sent back to them.

This project will continue in the newer section of Elmwood Cemetery. Three more stones have been ordered and should be set sometime this summer. There are still some missing pieces and perhaps we will again be asking our readers for help.

TIRED OF RENTING? THINKING ABOUT BUYING A HOME?

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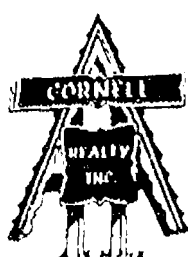
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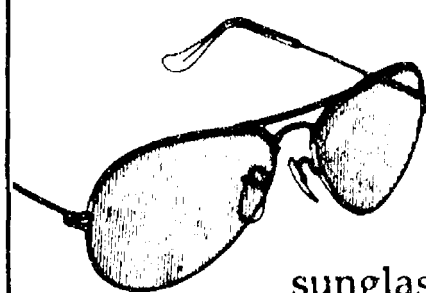
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MNG, RSVP team up to provide MIC

The Michigan National Guard at Camp Grayling has been awarded a certificate of appreciation from the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) on Friday, May 12.

Camp Grayling provided trucks and volunteers for the Senior MIC program for the first eight months of the program. Camp Grayling volunteers would drive a large military truck to Roscommon to pick up about 150 boxes of food, which would be distributed in Crawford County.

Senior MIC is a food distribution program for seniors over the age of 60 that fall into certain income guidelines. There isn't an official distribution site in Grayling and without the volunteers, seniors would have to travel to Roscommon to collect food. By bringing the food to Grayling, it is available to more people.

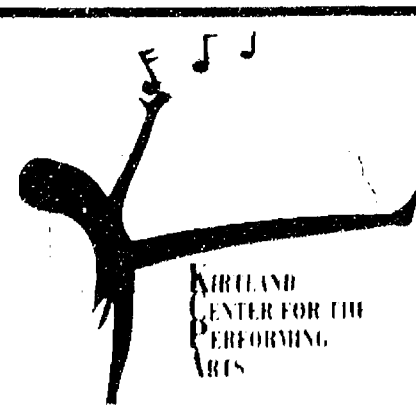
Some of the men from Camp Grayling who have helped with the program are Staff Sergeant Ellis, Staff Sergeant Morris, Sergeant First Class Tugin, Major French, Lieutenant Colonel Fochl and Captain Hanson.

The presentation was made at the Senior Center in Grayling with many of the volunteers and recipients in attendance. Cake and coffee was served and RSVP Director Gloria Mologianes presented the men with carnations for their efforts.

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SECTION SPORTS

Section C- Crawford County Avalanche

GHS wrestlers celebrate conference championship

Four win individual conference crowns

The 1994-95 Grayling High School wrestling team recently celebrated its 18th conference championship at the end-of-season banquet. Wrestlers, coaches and parents were in attendance.

After a buffet dinner at Coyle's Restaurant in Houghton Lake, Coach Don Ferguson and Assistant Coach Gary Hopp announced that this year's team saw four of its wrestlers winning individual conference championships, and eight others place in the top four conference positions.

David Shepherd, with a season record of 26 wins against nine losses, became only the second Viking to ever win the conference as a freshman. Senior Andy Langowski (31-6), won the conference and qualified for the regional tournament. Senior Tom Oberg (34-11), and junior Dale Kniss (44-4), won conference

championships, and qualified for regional and state tournaments.

Sophomores Jason Hall (32-17), and Josh Taylor (22-17), placed second in the conference. Placing third were sophomores Dana Beckwith (24-16), Eddie Davis and Josh Colby. Placing fourth were seniors Lowell Bindschattel, Jason Secord and freshman Danielle Dushane.

Sophomore Will Miller (21-11), was the only other Viking to win a 20-victory award.

In handing out awards, Ferguson presented Beckwith and Shepherd and Shawn Ashworth with their first varsity letters. Shepherd also was given the "Best Freshman Award."

The team "Sparkplug Award," went to freshman Ira Grounds, and the "Courage Award," was given to senior Mike Joseph. Ferguson presented the "Team Award," for all-around

outstanding performances to Beckwith and Hall. The "Coaches Award," went to Bindschattel and Taylor, and the "Most Improved Award," was given to Davis.

"Most Valuable Player," awards were given to Kniss and Oberg, while Kniss and Hall were presented "Captain Awards," naming them captains of next year's team.

The "Manager's Award," was given to seventh-grader Jordan Hall, and the "Statistician Award," was presented to senior Christine Harris.

The entire roster of wrestlers were presented with Great Northern Conference Championship medals.

The coaches spoke highly of all their wrestlers, saying farewell to seniors Langowski, Oberg, Bindschattel, Joseph and Secord.

"A champion is one who gets up—even when he can't," Ferguson said. "This team did that over and over this year. They are all champions."

Of next year's team, Ferguson predicted another outstanding year with several conference champions.



1994-1995 GREAT NORTHERN CONFERENCE CHAMPS--The 1994-95 Viking wrestling team recently completed its 18th conference championship season. Posing with the championship banner are (Standing L to R) Jordan Hall, manager; Gary Hopp, assistant coach; senior Andy Langowski, conference champion; junior Dale Kniss, conference champion; Don Ferguson, Viking head coach; (Kneeling L to R) senior Tom Oberg, conference champion and freshman David Shepherd, conference champion.



"WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT HIS 100 PERCENT EFFORT"--Coach Don Ferguson (L) and Assistant Coach Gary Hopp (C) praised the entire championship team while handing out awards. Mike Joseph (R) receives his award and his hard earned words of praise.

Moffit offers boys' summer hoops camp

Grayling boys in grades 3-12 will be able to attend a boys basketball camp, under the direction of GHS Head Coach Rich Moffit, on June 12-15, or June 19-22 in the Grayling High School Gymnasium.

"This will be a top-notch camp for the basketball players in the Grayling area," Moffit said. "We will place an emphasis on fundamentals and having fun."

Moffit has scheduled a group of guest speakers for the camp, including Leonard Drake, director of the Central Michigan University (CMU) boys' basketball program, Edgar Wilson, assistant coach at CMU, Ron Vondette, head coach at Delta

College, Stan Schneider, assistant coach at Alma College and Steve Muenzer, head coach of perennial Class-C power Fennville High School.

"All of these coaches have been very successful in college and high school," Moffit said. "They will have a lot to offer our athletes."

During both camps, boys in grades 9-12 are scheduled for instruction between the hours of 8-10 a.m. Between 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., boys in grades 6-8 will take the floor and boys in grades 3-5 are scheduled from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

The cost of the program is \$16 per boy. Each boy will receive a camp T-

shirt. "When you consider the cost of other camps, this camp is a bargain," Moffit said. "Our young players will have the opportunity to learn from outstanding high school and college coaches. I guarantee this will be a good experience for all students who are involved."

Each camp will be limited to 60 students. To register, persons may contact the Grayling Recreation Authority, Sylvester's Sporting Goods or Grayling High School.

For more information, persons are encouraged to contact Coach Moffit at Grayling High School by phoning 348-7641.

Viking boys' bats whollop East Jordan

By Nick Stancil
Staff Writer

The Grayling Viking baseball team displayed its awesome scoring abilities by pounding East Jordan 19-3 and 21-2 in a doubleheader at home on Monday, May 15.

The leading hitters for the Vikings were senior Chris Jones with two hits, senior Shane Hinkle with one hit, junior Jason Thompson had two hits, including a two-run homerun, senior Steve Bugyi had two hits, senior Scott Longendyke had a homerun, junior

Andy Perrin had four hits and junior Jason Hatfield had two hits.

Senior Chip Waite pitched the entire game and took the win.

In the second game, the Vikings bombed East Jordan with 12 hits. "Playing East Jordan was a good opportunity for us to display our scoring abilities," said Longendyke.

Those Vikings with hits were Jones with one, Hinkle had four, Thompson had one, Bugyi had one, Longendyke had two, including a homerun, Perrin had one, junior Travis Weaver had one, and junior Justin Eddy had one hit.

Longendyke pitched for the length of the game.

The Vikings traveled to Lincoln-Alcona to challenge their conference foes and split the doubleheader by losing 8-6 and winning 14-7 on Friday, May 19.

"We played a good game," said Head Coach Fred Wolcott. "The fifth and the seventh innings are what hurt us. We left the bases loaded in both of those innings. We just couldn't get a key hit."

Waite took the loss as pitcher as he pitched for the length of the game. "Chip pitched well but he threw some high curves that they (Alcona) homered off of," said Wolcott.

The Viking bats also cooled down with Grayling having only four hits. Those hits belonged to Hinkle with two, Thompson had one and Waite hit one.

The Vikings were able to shake off their first game mistakes by defeating the Tigers in the second game of the doubleheader.

Longendyke started the game as pitcher but was relieved by Perrin because of a sore shoulder. Perrin was relieved by Waite who pitched for the remainder of the game.

The leading hitters for the Vikings were Thompson with a homerun, Waite had a homerun and Longendyke

had a homerun, Jones had two hits, Hinkle had two, Hatfield had one and Weaver had one hit.

The Vikings are 3-3 in the conference and have a 17-7 overall record. The Vikings traveled to Elk Rapids on Monday, May 22.



IT'S IN FOR A STRIKE--Senior Chip Waite winds-up for the pitch in a 19-3 victory over East Jordan.

Viking girls defeat tough Alcona nine

By Nick Stancil
Staff Writer

The Grayling Viking Softball team dropped two games to East Jordan on Monday, May 15.

In game one of the doubleheader, East Jordan out-hit the Vikings turning a close game through three innings into a run-away rout.

The leading Viking hitters in the first game were sophomore Jessica St. Germain and senior Trish Straw. Straw, St. Germain and junior Jenny Richardson led the team defensively.

In game two, the Vikings were defeated 14-12 by walking 15 East Jordan batters in an error filled game.

"The team's bats were lively," said Coach Gerry St. Germain. "We fought hard - but in the end we just gave them too many easy opportunities."

In the second game, the leading Viking batters were Straw, senior Nicole Parker and junior Stacie Mead.

Straw, junior Brooke Blaauw and junior Alicia Holly had the team's best defensive plays in the second game.

The Vikings also traveled to Alcona and split a doubleheader with the Tigers on Friday, May 19.

In game one, the Vikings began the game rather slowly after the long drive to Alcona and allowed five runs in the first inning. Although the Vikings battled back with a late game

surge, they still fell just short of victory losing a 12-10 ballgame.

The offensive power in game one against Alcona came from Straw, Blaauw, sophomore Arica Burkett and sophomore Jessica Waite.

The top fielders for the Vikings were also Blaauw, Burkett and Waite.

"The kids are starting to understand that you never know what is going to happen in a game," said St. Germain. "They are improving in a lot of little ways and they are starting to look and act like a team."

In game two, the Vikings again battled back from an 8-4 deficit to win the barn-burner 11-10. The victory was a big conference win for the Vikings.

The Vikings' leading batters in the second game were Straw, Blaauw, St. Germain, senior Carol Lanczy, senior Samara Sabin and junior Jenny Wallace.

The top defensive efforts were displayed by Parker and junior Mandy McEvers.

The Vikings with the highest on-base percentages are St. Germain, who gets on base .536 percent of the time; Lanczy, who has a .463; Wallace, who has a .417 on-base percentage; and Richardson, who has an on-base percentage of .366.

The Vikings traveled to Elk Rapids on Monday, May 22 and host conference foe Onaway on Friday, May 26.

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Girls' Golf



Shilee Reed

In her sophomore year, Shilee has developed into a fine golfer and team leader for the GHS varsity girls' golf team.

JV boys win five of last six, finish outstanding season

By Nick Stancil
Staff Writer

The Grayling Junior Varsity Baseball team concluded its successful season by winning five of its last six games including victories over East Jordan, Gaylord and Charlevoix.

The Vikings hosted and defeated East Jordan 15-10 on Monday, May 8.

The Vikings began the game strong by scoring 10 runs in the first inning.

Sophomore Tim Anderson was the winning pitcher for the Vikings.

The leading hitters for the Vikings were sophomore Eddy Baynham with three hits, sophomore Josh Schoen with three hits, sophomore Brad Larm had two hits, sophomore Ben Haskel had two hits, sophomore Aaron Perrin had two hits, sophomore Anderson had two hits, sophomore Mike Knight hit a home run and freshman Mike Harland had a hit.

The Vikings took the doubleheader by defeating East Jordan in the second game 15-11.

Harland was the winning pitcher and was supported at the plate by Baynham, who had three hits; Haskel, who had three hits; Larm, who hit two; Schoen, who had two hits; freshman Isaac Tobin had one hit and freshman Travis Parkinson hit one.

"Both teams hit the ball well," said Coach Bill Klinger. "We just made

some key hits with runners on base and we made the play in the field when we had to."

The Vikings hosted the Gaylord Blue Devils and were defeated 5-1 on Tuesday, May 9.

Perrin took the loss as pitcher, but he did not receive any help at the plate with only two Vikings getting hits. Anderson and Larm had two hits and one hit respectively.

"We played a good game," said

Klinger. "We just couldn't get a key hit when we had people in scoring positions."

The Vikings avenged their loss by narrowly defeating the Blue Devils in the second game 7-6.

Baynham was relieved by Perrin who took the win as pitcher.

"This was a good game to come back after losing a close one in the first game," said Klinger. "We hit the ball better and played good defense."

The Vikings were led at the plate by Haskel with two hits, Baynham with one, Perrin had one, Larm had one, Schoen had one and freshman Jerry Roman had one hit.

The Vikings played at home against Charlevoix and defeated the Red Rayders 10-9 on Friday, May 12.

The winning pitcher for Grayling was Perrin who struck out eight.

After trailing 4-0, Grayling scored five runs in the third inning to take the lead. Charlevoix, however, took back the lead, 9-8, in the sixth inning before the Vikings battled back again for the victory. In the bottom of the sixth, Parkinson scored the tying run and Tobin scored the winning run to propel the Vikings past the Red Rayders.

Leading hitters for Grayling were Baynham, Anderson, Schoen and Tobin all of whom had two hits while Larm and Perrin each had one hit.

Grayling swept the Red Rayders by winning the second game 11-1.

The winning pitcher in the blow-out was Anderson who was relieved for one inning by Harland.

Viking batters with two hits were Baynham, Larm, Perrin, Tobin and Harland while Haskel, Schoen and Knight all had one hit.

According to Klinger, good pitching, aggressive hitting and base running and solid defense have all led to the past five victories.

"Our team improved as the season went on and they are a good group of guys to coach," said Klinger. "I would like to thank all of the players on the J.V. team because they worked hard and worked to improve their basic skills. They improved every day that they played."

"Coach (Jim) Tobin and myself have enjoyed working with this team and I would like to give a special thanks to Coach Tobin who helped us throughout the season."

The Junior Varsity ended its season with an outstanding 13-5 over-all record.

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JV girls lose two

By Nick Stancil
Staff Writer

The Junior Varsity Softball Team traveled to Onaway and dropped a doubleheader on Wednesday, May 17. The Vikings were defeated in the first game 11-1 as the ladies were held to only two hits.

"They were hitting the ball," said Coach Lori Johnson, "but they hit it right to the defense."

The Viking pitcher for the entire game was sophomore Annie Henion who took the loss.

The leading hitters for Grayling were Henion and freshman Rebecca Shahan. Henion scored the Vikings only run.

The Vikings also dropped a much closer game 20-19 in the second game of the doubleheader.

"The ladies played well in the second game of the doubleheader," said Johnson. "We were leading 18-17 in the fourth and 19-17 in the fifth and lost in the bottom of the sixth. There were some controversial substitution

calls late in the game but the ladies played hard."

The top hitters for the Vikings were sophomore Jaymie Brannan, who is batting .450; Shahan, who is batting .456; Henion, who is batting .474; sophomore Nicole Craigie, who is batting .348; and sophomore Nicci Miller, who is batting .462. The Vikings had a total of 12 hits for the game.

Sophomore Onna Ingvarsson relieved freshman Nicki Osga in the second inning for the loss.

The Vikings also lost a doubleheader to a powerful Gaylord Blue Devil team 15-2 and 14-2 at home on Tuesday, May 9.

"The ladies improved fundamentally and they were a great team to work with," said Johnson. "The Varsity coaches invited Miller and Henion to join them for the remainder of the season."

The Vikings' over-all record was an impressive 12-8.



EYE ON THE BALL-- Junior Brooke Blaauw waits for the pitch in a loss to East Jordan.

GHS girl golfers finish tough season with win

The Viking Girls Golf team continued to improve and defeated Bay City Western at the Grayling Country Club on Tuesday, May 16.

The girls golfed under windy but fair skies and took the victory with 46 strokes fewer than Bay City.

The Viking victory came after a 58 stroke loss to Alpena at the Alpena Country Club on Monday, May 15.

The Vikings were led by sophomore Schilee Reed, who had 50 strokes.

The Vikings ended their season on the road in regional action at the Candlestone Golf Course in Belding on Friday, May 19.

Reed again was the team leader with 111 strokes and missed qualifying for state competition by any 12 strokes.

The Vikings will officially close their season at their awards banquet that will be held at the Grayling Country Club on Friday, May 26.

GHS standouts sign letters to play college basketball



into a solid low post player at ACC," said Moffit. "Coach McCourt likes Ben's athleticism."

After four years as teammates, Croze and Hinkle will face each other twice next year as opponents.

Parker signed a letter of intent to play at Lansing Community College.

Three outstanding Viking basketball players have signed letters of intent to play junior college basketball. Shane Hinkle, Ben Croze, and Nicole Parker are looking forward to their freshman year of play.

Hinkle signed a letter of intent to play at Delta Community College, which is located in Saginaw. He will be playing under the coaching skills of legendary high school coach Ron Vondette. Hinkle is slotted to compete for a starting position at shooting guard.

"Coach Vondette is a solid coach and a real competitor," said Rich Moffit, GHS boys basketball coach. "If Shane gets stronger over the summer and improves his skills, he has the opportunity to make a solid contribution to the Pioneer basketball program."

Croze signed a letter of intent to play at Alpena Community College (ACC). He will be playing for veteran coach Frank McCourt. Croze is slotted to compete for minutes against the best player for ACC, Nate Touri, at the power forward position.

"Ben has the opportunity to develop

Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

BASS SEASON OPENS this coming Saturday, May 27. This season always opens the Saturday preceding Memorial Day. This year the bass should be spawning in most lakes, so you will want to try fishing the shallows in 6- to 10 feet of water. A leech really works well at this time. Also, you can troll the shallows with a bass-type lure-- this sometimes works. The walleyes have been hitting well in some of the lakes. Burt Lake, up north, has been super good. They have been trolling at night. Also Lake Margrethe has been good at night trolling the shallows with rapala-like lures. The black morel mushrooms are about done, but the white ones are coming on now.



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Who Am I?

I'm **Linda Rutkowski Franklin** and I was born and raised in Grayling, graduated from Grayling High School and attended Ferris State University for two years. I'm a single parent and the mother of two children - one in college and one in Grayling High School. I am employed by Crawford County as Deputy Clerk working with our Circuit Court system.

Why Am I Running for the Board of Education?

I care about our children and the quality of education they are receiving - not just the gifted and talented or those who excel in our sports programs - but the quality of education for all of our students.

What Will I Work For?

I believe a **CHANGE** is necessary in the Board's priorities from that of being a "show case" school district to one of being an "effective educational system" and not a system with one of the highest drop-out rates in the state. How do we accomplish this?

By making a **CHANGE** in the basic management techniques utilized by our school system - stop using coercion and intimidation of students as a means of managing them and replace it with positive management techniques to encourage and motivate students.

This would help to **CHANGE** the Board's belief that extra-curricular activities are necessary to keep students in school and alleviate the need to spend excessive amounts of taxpayer money on these programs and allow more funds to be spent to implement an exemplary academic curriculum which would make learning so interesting that students will want to come to and stay in school. This would also allow for a **CHANGE** in the Board's emphasis on co-curricular activities which gives equal priority to biology and basketball.

A **CHANGE** in the way the Board spends your taxpayer dollars, especially your bond issue monies. If the Board adopted a policy of keeping a careful eye on the expenditure of these monies, that could mean that any savings could be applied toward the necessary work to be done at the high school or to provide textbooks for every student.

Last, but certainly not least, we need to affect a major **CHANGE** in the level of respect accorded our students by teachers, administrators and board members alike. We cannot lose sight of the fact that respect is earned and cannot be demanded or legislated. Only when we have achieved a mutual level of respect between the administration and the students will we truly make the Crawford-AuSable School District a "quality" school system.

I am fortunate and grateful to have the support of Irene Pettyjohn in this campaign. Irene won the support of voters in the last election because she committed herself to trying to make a **CHANGE**. Over this past year, she has dedicated herself to making a difference on this Board - but Irene is only one person, one vote, and she needs the help of other committed parents. She supports me because she knows I will also try to make changes in the way things are done in this School District. I am not a person bound by any political affiliations-I vow to consider every issue solely on the basis of its merits and what I feel is best for our students and our School District - I will not become another "rubber stamp" for this administration.

For twenty years we have been bogged down with the same sort of thinking on our Board of Education. It's time for a **CHANGE**! Let's get back to basics and help our children - they need it. They need positive management, a stimulating curriculum and up-to-date textbooks. I sincerely believe these **CHANGES** would make the difference you are looking for.

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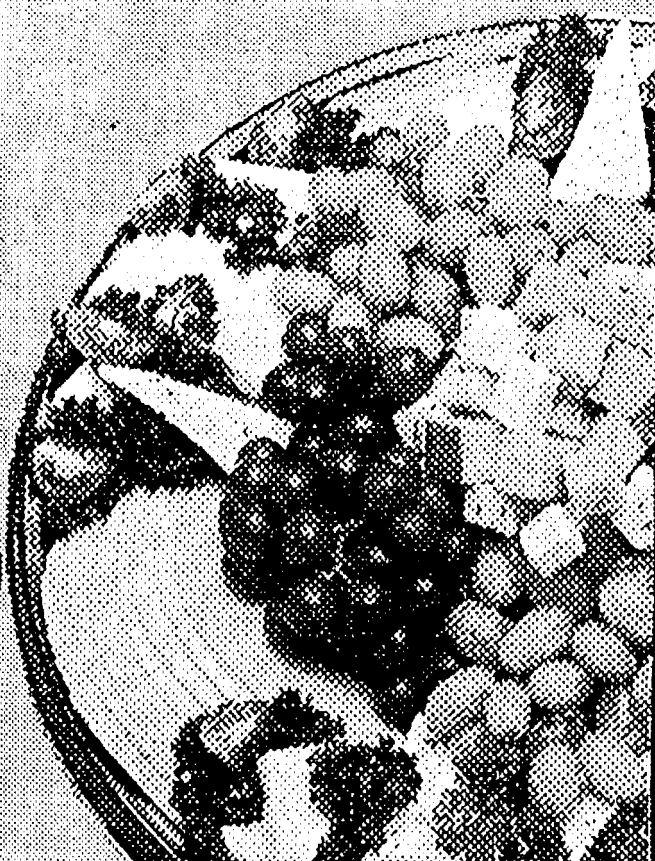
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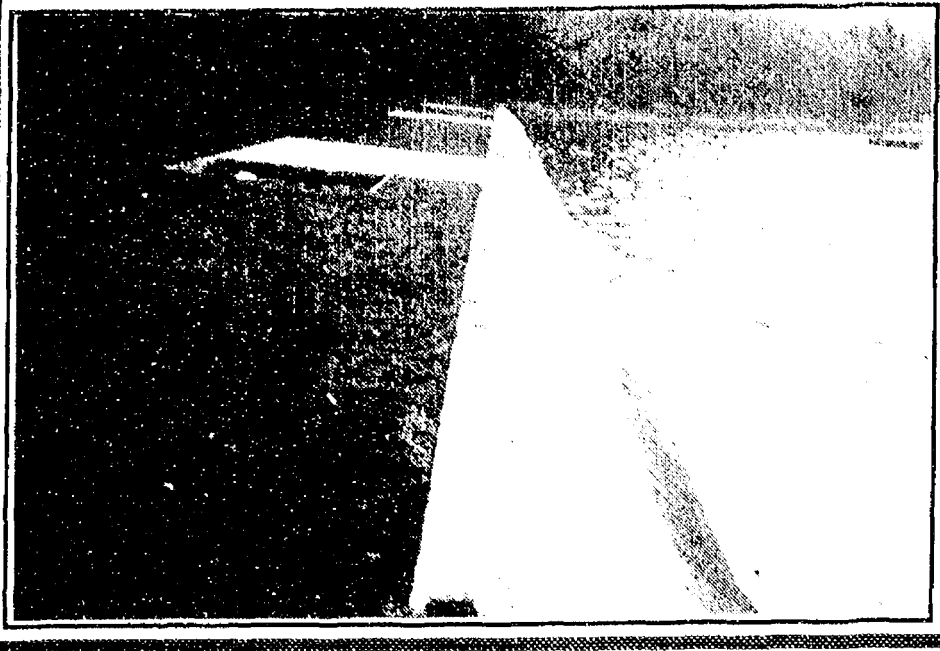
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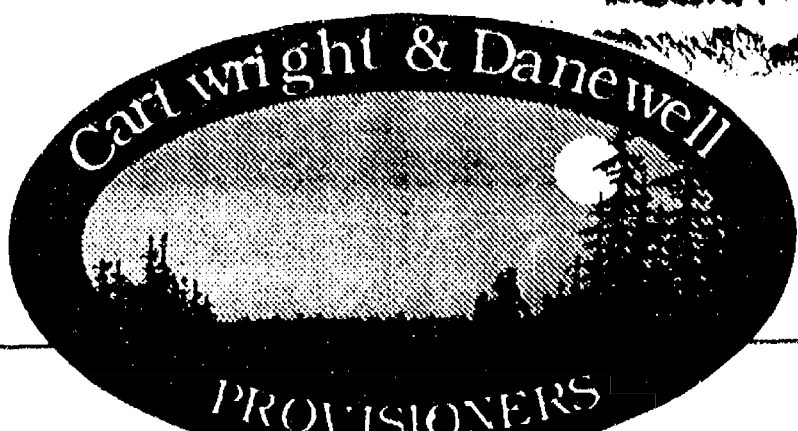
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George Griffiths, Trout Unlimited patriarch donates to youth baseball

George A. Griffiths, one of the founders of Trout Unlimited, recently made a donation of \$500 to the Grayling Youth Booster Club to assist youth baseball in Crawford County. The funds, which will be turned over to the Grayling Little League, are to be used in support of the growing interest area youth have shown toward the sport of baseball. Griffiths' donation followed a meeting with long-time Booster Club member Irv McIsaac, and he hopes his example of generosity will encourage his friends in the community to also make contributions.

Now, at the age of 94, Griffiths' life has developed into legendary proportions. At his home on the AuSable River in 1959, Griffiths and about 16 other local sportsmen, including Fred Bear, established Trout Unlimited to preserve the quality of the area's natural resources. That small, yet dedicated coalition of men developed into a worldwide entity of 70,000 members in many countries. Even in his 90s, Griffiths remains active as a member on the International Board of Directors for the organization and continues to help protect local rivers and streams.

He and his wife, Peri, are approaching their 20th wedding anniversary, residing in Florida during the winter, and Michigan in the summer.

Griffiths' donation to youth baseball has roots dating back to the turn of the century in midwestern ballfields. At age seven or eight, Griffiths' love and enjoyment of baseball began in his hometown of Vaunderville, a small village near Lima, OH. A strong first baseman who regularly hit for high

averages, Griffiths spent his summers as a youth playing for local teams and in church leagues. The parental and adult support for baseball was so strong

salesman travelling the midwestern and southern states, Griffiths saw baseball during its heyday in the early half of the century. He routinely saw

the 1930s.

As a youth and young man, Griffiths felt he had many privileges in playing and watching baseball which were originally bestowed by his parents. By personally donating and encouraging others to donate, Griffiths wishes to bestow those same privileges on all of our area youth. Griffiths sees baseball constituting at least one aspect of a young life that can always be good and have meaning. In turn, the values baseball teaches of teamwork, dedication and tradition can be transferred to other areas of youthful experience for the better.

Those wishing to follow George Griffiths' lead can make donations directly to the Grayling Youth Booster Club, P.O. Box 708, Grayling, MI 49738 and/or Grayling Little League, P.O. Box 130, Grayling, MI 49738.

Griffiths is looking forward to seeing all of his friends and associates at the George Mason Chapter, Trout Unlimited annual banquet, auction and fundraiser located at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Saturday, June 3, beginning at 6 p.m.



GEORGE AND PERI GRIFFITHS

Hookers and Slicers league begins May 25

Hookers and Slicers league starts Thursday, May 25, at the Grayling County Club. It will be a fun day as they're looking forward to seeing everyone again. Shotgun start at 4 p.m. as usual.

Mason Trout Unlimited Banquet set for June 3

For more than 30 years almost since American Motors President George Mason and George Griffiths came up with the idea of uniting anglers into a conservation-oriented group named Trout Unlimited (TU) — the George Mason Chapter of TU has been raising money and actively working, hands-on, to improve the AuSable and Manistee rivers.

Just during the last five years, GMTU has raised more than \$100,000 that has been donated to the AuSable Watershed Restoration Committee and the Upper Manistee River Restoration Committee. Those funds have directly benefited both river systems through habitat improvement, erosion control and sand-trap installation and maintenance.

June 3, at the Grayling Holiday Inn, the George Mason Chapter of Trout Unlimited continues its tradition with a dinner and auction/raffle. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., followed by an expansive raffle and auction.

In addition to the hallmark AuSable riverboat raffle (this year's boat was built by Grayling resident Roger Wisniewski), there is a Sage 586SP —

the state of the art in graphite fly rod — and a 16-foot Old Town Penobscot canoe. The non-angler (as if there could be such a thing in this part of the world) also has ample opportunity for wonderful raffle prizes. This year there are a limited number of tickets being raffled for a Browning Citori 20-gauge over/under shotgun and a Savage 7mm with a factory-mounted scope.

Auctioneer Marty Wegner will certainly stay busy considering the vast array of interesting items being offered. Besides the usual angling gizmos and gadgets, this year's event features quilts, watches, a stained-glass window, carvings, original and limited-edition artwork, a mountain bike, men's and women's clothing, fine crystal stemware and a list that keeps going and going and going, like that little bawdy bunny.

If you care about the AuSable and/or Manistee rivers — or if you simply want to snap up some great bargains — call Bill Halliday at 348-8379 for dinner reservations (\$40 for two, \$20 for singles), because seating is limited.

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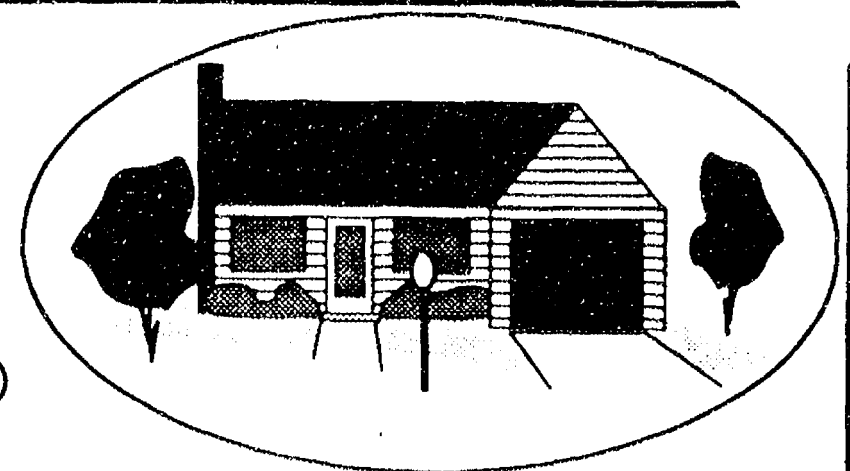
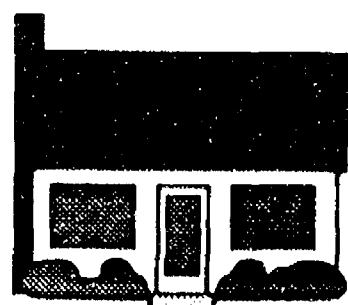
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Getting started

To get your garden started right, choose a planting site that receives at least six to eight hours of sunlight a day. Equally important is soil that drains well and is full of organic matter. If the garden site is deficient in organic matter, nurture it by applying three to six inches of peat moss or compost over the existing soil. Then, till or spade all materials to a depth of eight to 12 inches.

Vegetables come in all sorts of varieties. Some will grow better in sun than in shade. Others grow better in the northern part of the country than they do in the south, west or east. Do you want large vegetables or are you interested in growing miniature vegetables? Will you be starting from seed or with a seedling? If you've chosen a vegetable plant that spreads, do you have enough room for it to do so without choking off the other vegetables in your garden? These are all important thoughts to consider when contemplating what you will grow and where you'll grow it.

Before going any further, be sure to do some research, and consider contacting the local MSU Extension Office for advice. Then, select the vegetables for your garden. Nurseries and garden centers stock a wide variety of seedlings that can be placed directly into the garden soil. Set seedlings just slightly deeper than they were in their original container. If you choose to grow vegetables from seed, ask a garden center representative to recommend planting depths for each type of seed. Also, be sure to place each plant or seed eight to 10 inches or more apart to allow for room to grow. Whether you start from seedling or from scratch, remember to read the directions.

Drip irrigation

Once the site and soil are ready for planting, and you've selected your vegetables, take a step back to visualize and plan a row system for the vegetables. Before planting, consider installing a drip irrigation system between the rows to regulate moisture in the garden. A simple drip-irrigation system can be installed in a small garden in an afternoon with little or no digging. The system uses flexible polyethylene tubing and drip emitters to dispense water to plants in droplets and fine streams. The tubing is usually buried or covered with mulch to hide it from view.

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Fertilizer

Once planted, apply a balanced fertilizer, one that is rich in the nitrogen, phosphate and potassium needed to produce vigorous plant growth. Look for a time-release fertilizer that will dispense nutrients throughout the entire growing season. Also, check planting instructions for each vegetable to determine if it has additional fertilizer needs.

Now that you know the secrets to growing bountiful vegetables, it's time to put them to use. The result will be a cornucopia of delicious delights for you and your family.

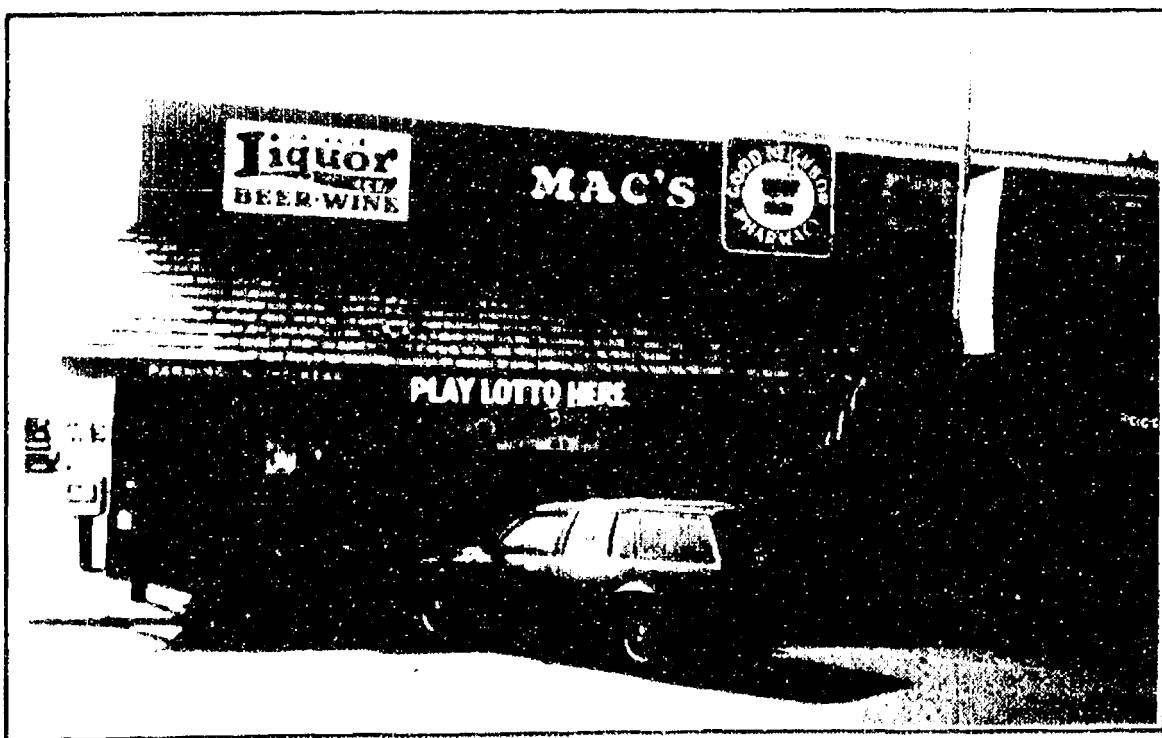
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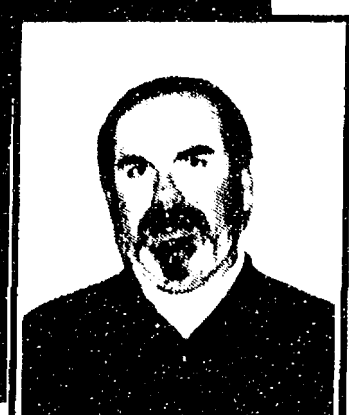
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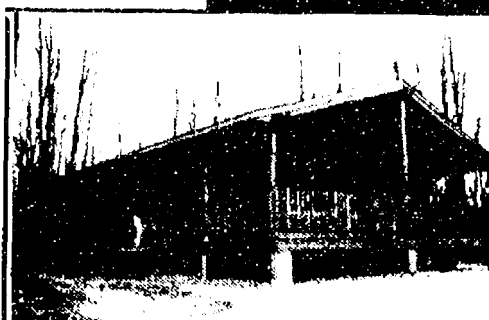
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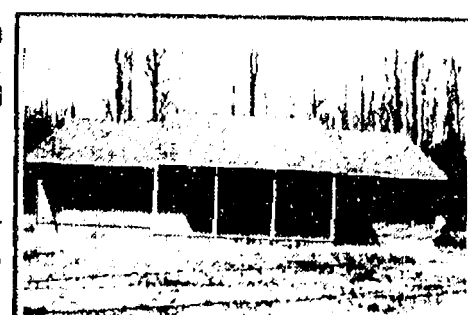
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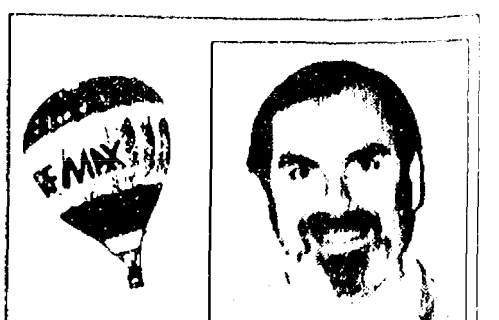
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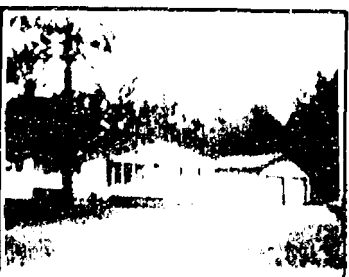
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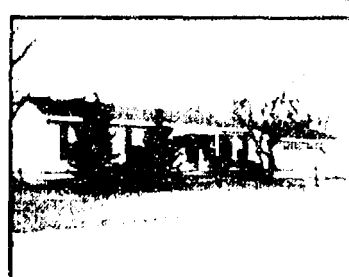
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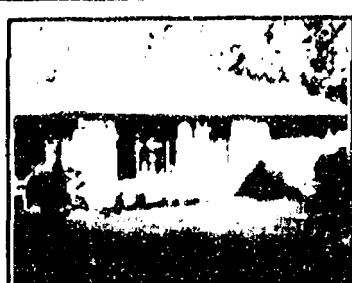
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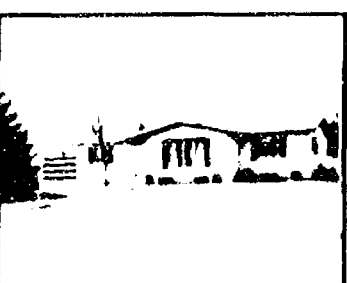
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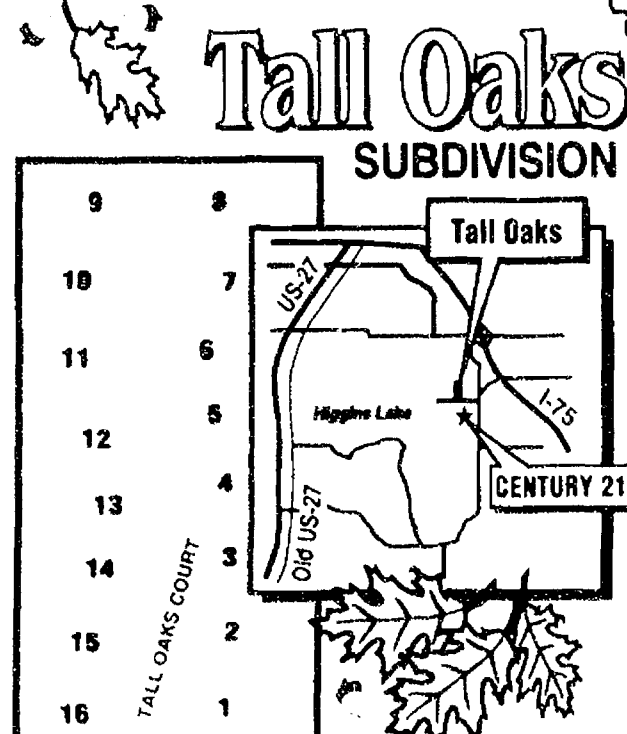
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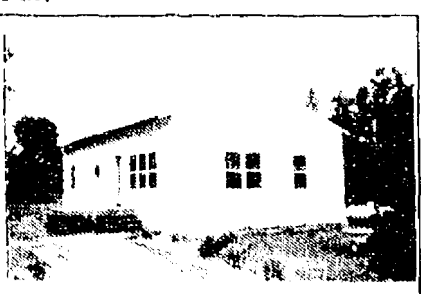
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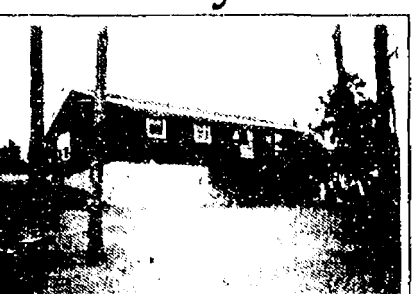
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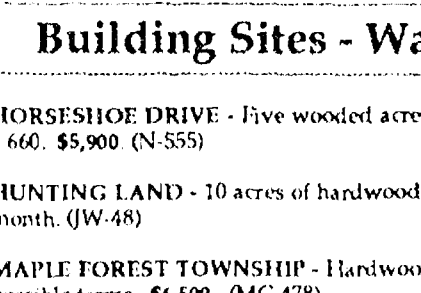


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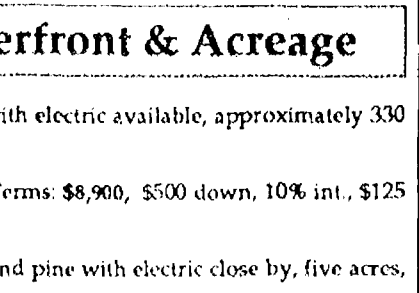
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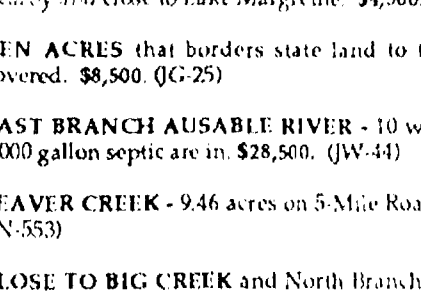
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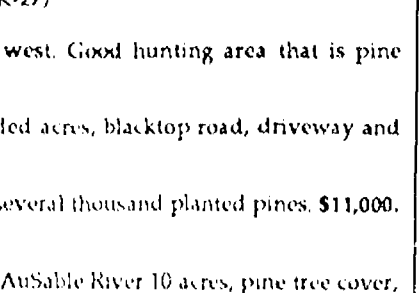
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6. Wanted

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-25/10

GARAGE SALE: 9-5, May 25, 26, 27, 28. Bike, storm windows, new toilet, clothing, books, puzzles, household misc. 321 Fulton.
-25/10

GARAGE SALE: 25th thru 27th, 9 till 5. Washer, dryer, antiques and much more. Staley Lake Road, follow signs.
-25/10

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-25/10

GARAGE SALE Too many items to list. Books, clothes, miscellaneous. 72 East, just past Industrial Drive. Thursday, May 25 thru Monday, May 29.
-25/10

GARAGE SALE: MULTI-FAMILY Thursday-Friday. Dressers, washer, TVs, games, swing set, clothes, fabric, books, lots of goodies. Good prices. 1158 Ole Dam Road.
-25/10

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Monday, 9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Clothes-infants to ex-large; Avon; furniture; copier; dishwasher; microwave; some antiques; videos and misc. 204 Mikado St.
-25/10

GARAGE/YARD SALE Thursday and Friday, May 25-26; 9-6. McIntyre's Landing, follow signs.
-25/10

FRIDAY

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 5-26 & 5-27, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Rain or shine. Small table and two chairs, bikes, chair stepper, clothes, lots of misc. items. M-72 West, Danish Landing, Queensborough Lane.
-25/10

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY May 26, 27, 28; 9-4. Furniture, tools, household misc., riding lawn mower. 804 Park St.
-25/10

YARD SALE Snowblower, VCR, kitchen table, Avon products, lots of misc. Friday-Monday, May 26-29, 7218 Co. Rd. 612, Frederic, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
-25/10

2103 S. GREENTREE off M-72 East, 4 1/2 miles. May 26, 27; 9-5.
-25/10

305 SCOTT STREET Friday and Saturday, 10-4. Lots of clothing--infants, 2-T, like-new, some adult clothes; and household items.
-25/10

10. Garage Sales

BONANZA! 3-family garage sale on Manistee River, cross over Manistee River bridge on M-72 W., approximately eight miles from Grayling. Follow signs. Some antiques and don't miss this one! May 26 & 27; 9-6.
-25/10

MOVING SALE Nintendo, bunk beds, furniture, tools, shelving, craft supplies, clothes, misc. 301 Mikado. Friday and Sunday.
-25/10

FIRST GARAGE SALE Rain or shine. May 26th and 27th, 9-4. M-72 West, four miles west to Maybelle, just before Eagle Point. Watch for signs. Large variety including old red formica table and chairs, water pump, 10-speed bike, propane furnace, rods and reels, water skis, Kodak 8mm movie camera and projector, some linens, lots of kitchen items.
-25/10

GARAGE, ARTS AND CRAFTS SALE May 26th-29th, 9 to ? 123 Alexda Lane.
-25/10

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-25/10

MAY 26, 27, 28 Tools, crafts, furniture, boat, boat motors, many miscellaneous items. M-93 to 612, one mile east, follow signs.
-25/10

GARAGE/MOVED SALE May 26 & 27; 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Rototiller; lawnmower; matching couch, love seat and chair; lawn furniture; gas grill; lots and lots of misc. household items! 612 to K.P. Lake Road, follow signs.
-25/10

TWO SALES McIntyre's Landing. Follow McBride signs. May 26-29: 9am-5pm. '87 Caprice Classic, \$2,300; '69 Whitehouse 14' boat and trailer, 50 h.p., \$900; tool, antiques, household, clothes, furniture, lamps and stuff.
-25/10

6-FAMILY GARAGE SALE! Lots of stuff. Friday, May 26, and Saturday, May 27, 8-4. 704 Chestnut.
-25/10

4-FAMILY GARAGE SALE Tables, chairs, recliner, baby dresser, washer and dryer, bikes, clothes (all sizes), toys, and much more. May 26 and 27, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., on Ole Dam Road, across river.
-25/10

HUGE SALE May 26, 27, 28 (9-4). 124 Isenhauer (off North Down River). Men's, women's and kids clothes, shoes and boots; lawnmower; Sonoma tube waterbed, king-size mattress; old quilts; antique glassware; make-up table; love seat; couch and chair; stereo and sport equipment; kid's desk; picnic table; toys, Little Tikes ride-on train and track; tons of household items; and many nice items to decorate home. Don't miss this sale.
-25/10

BOGIE'S ANNUAL GARAGE SALE May 26 & 27, 9-4. Three family. Books, toys, misc clothing, jewelry, few collectibles. 504 Chestnut.
-25/10

MAY 26TH AND 27TH Come rain or shine. Many treasures. Camping equipment, some furniture, built-in range top with oven. 862 Timber Trail off of Staley Lake Road, between 4-Mile and 72 West. Follow signs.
-25/10

11. Automotive

10. Garage Sales

SATURDAY

MAY 27 AND 28 9-5, at 570 Airport, Grayling, near high school, dead end road. Windows with storms; doors; couch and chair; motorcycle, 750 Honda, needs work; curtains and rods; many miscellaneous items.
-25/10

27TH, 28TH, 29TH 9-5. 4055 Pinecrest, Grayling Mobile Estates. North Down River Road east to Wilcox Bridge Road, to Pinecrest, and turn left, follow signs. Cancel if raining.
-25/10

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11. Automotive

10. Garage Sales

SATURDAY, MAY 27, 10 to 5, 777 Little John in Sherwood Forest. Lots of misc. items.
-25/10

LARGE GARAGE SALE "Priced to sell". Matilda Drive, off Danish Landing Road. Saturday-Sunday, 9:30-4. Coppertone stove, adult tricycle, 4 x 8 trailer, sling boat lift, clothing, furniture, craft items.
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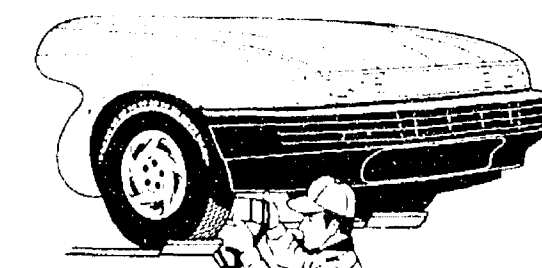
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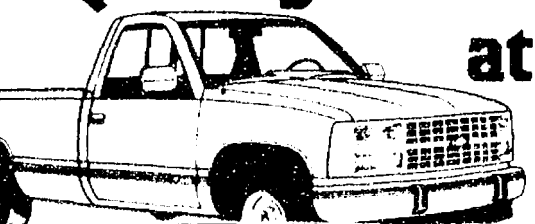
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May 26, 27, 28

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383 AuSable Trail

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10. Garage Sales

HUGE GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. TVs; table saw; 1973 Chev. convertible, nice; 1984 Dodge Ramcharger, like new; 1992 conversion, never seen snow; and much misc. M-72 West to McIntyre's Landing Road, then follow the signs to 10326 Oakdale Drive, Harbor Beach. -25/10

10. Garage Sales

YARD SALE: 2626 E. LAKE SHORE DRIVE Saturday, 27th, 10-6; Sunday, 28th, 1-6. -25/10
GARAGE SALE: 406 SPRUCE ST. Saturday, May 27, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lots of miscellaneous. Also furniture for sale. -25/10

10. Garage Sales

BIG GARAGE SALE May 27-28; 9-4. Easy Lift chair, tools, speakers, books, color TV, pick-up cover, household items and much more. 10741 S. Oak Road (one mile north of Higgins Lake), between E. Higgins Lake Drive and Fletcher Road. -25/10

10. Garage Sales

RUMMAGE SALE Saturday and Sunday, 6-3 p.m. Mountain bike, Schwinn road bike, fishing poles, men's and women's clothing, household items, odds and ends. 123 Black Bear Drive, off Thendara. -25/10

10. Garage Sales

ST. FRANCIS THRIFT SHOP (a church resale shop), M-72 West. Open Wednesday through Saturday, 10-4. 348-2572. Choose your merchandise, then draw your percentage off. 10% to 50% reduction. We gratefully accept your donation of clothing and household items. -25/10

11. Automotive

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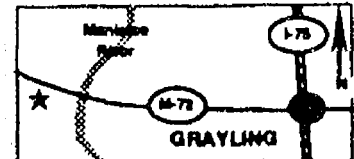
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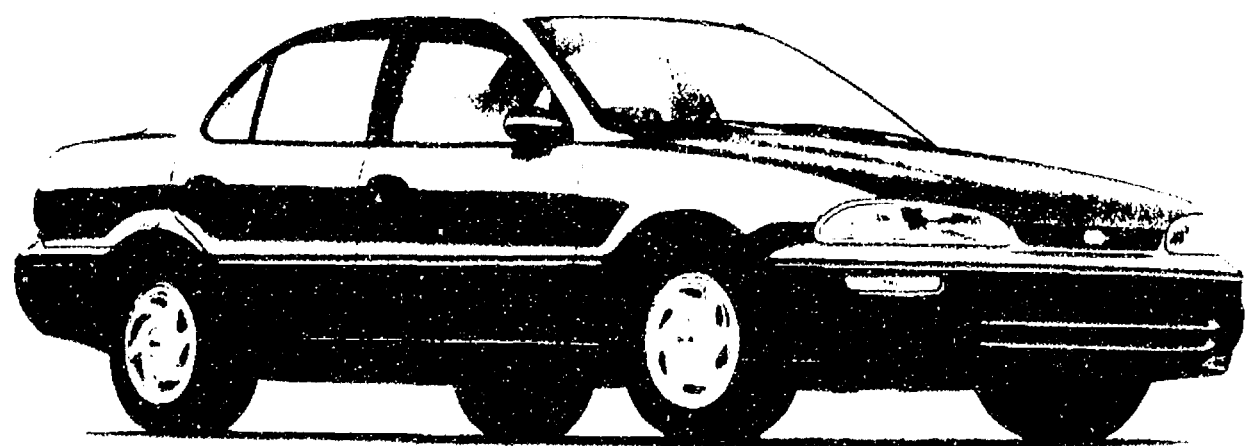
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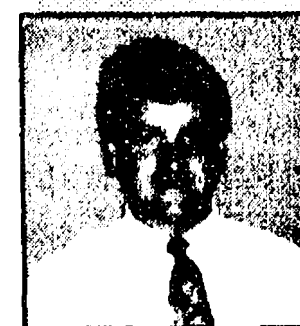
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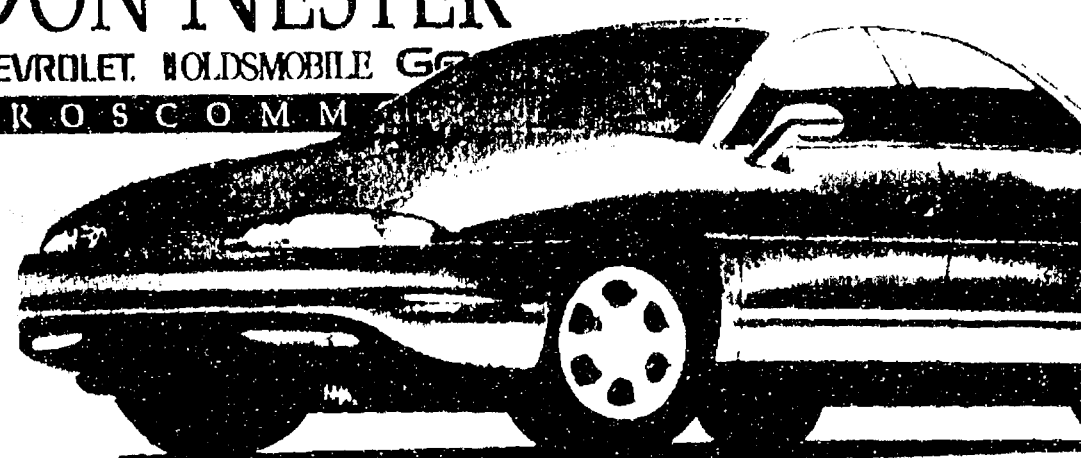
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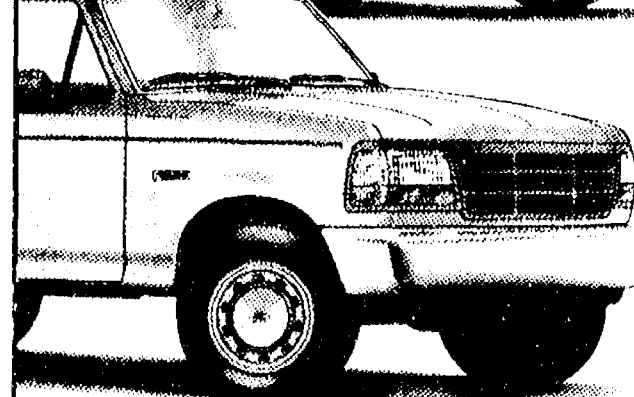
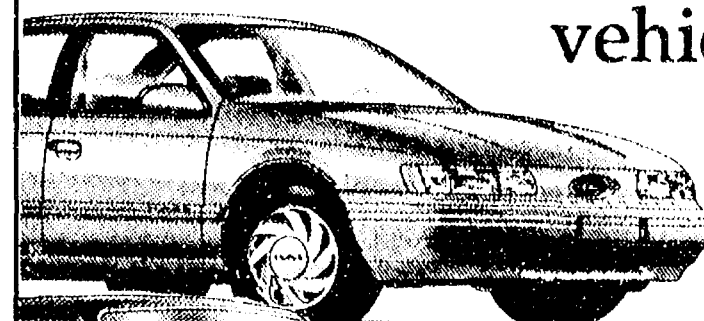
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